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## Town feels jilted by recreation funding

By Ceilidh McClurg

A their town council meeting, councillors expressed their frustration with the way the County of Mountain View distributes the money they collect for recreation.

"This is the most ludicrous thing I've seen in all my time on council," said Coun. Vance van Dam.

He is referring to a cooperative study recently completed that outlines how each municipality in the county is receiving dollars to subsidize the use of municipal recreation facilities used by rural residents.

The problem according to council is that they feel it is just not fair the way the money is being divided up.

Didsbury and Olds have the highest operating and capital costs for recreational facilities in the county. Didsbury's facilities cost the taxpayer \$44.73 per capita and Olds costs \$30.13 per capita.

The county collects 0.20 mills, or \$243,000 each year in rural tax payer dollars to be paid out to the communities that have facilities that are available for use by rural residents.

The town feels that the amount of use of local facilities by rural residents is not being adequately covered by the county coffers, while Sundre and Cremona are receiving grants that are higher than their actual operating costs.

In addition to the high rural usage, the county changed their formula for funding in 1995, which has resulted in a \$16,000 in grant loss over three years for Didsbury.

This essentially means, according to town chief administrative officer, Evan Parliament, that the taxpayers of the town are covering the cost of the pool through their taxes and admission charges, more than the

county residents although the facility is equally used by both. Some councillors suggested this was like the town subsidizing the rural, especially if urban taxes have to increase to make up for the loss of recreation dollars from the county.

Coun. van Dam said, "This makes me feel like a second class citizen in my own town."

This realization brought forward many topics for discussion among council.

"We could explore the option of a two tiered system," said Coun. Gayle Veno suggesting that it may be necessary in future to charge county residents more to use facilities like the swimming pool in the Memorial Complex.

Coun. Gary Dolha said he felt it may eventually become a reality that the town would have to cut back on the programs and facilities offered. He said he felt the bottom line was, "Can we afford to run the facilities that we have with the income we are getting?... I see nothing wrong with coming up with a plan to see what can be scaled back to meet the financial ability of this community."

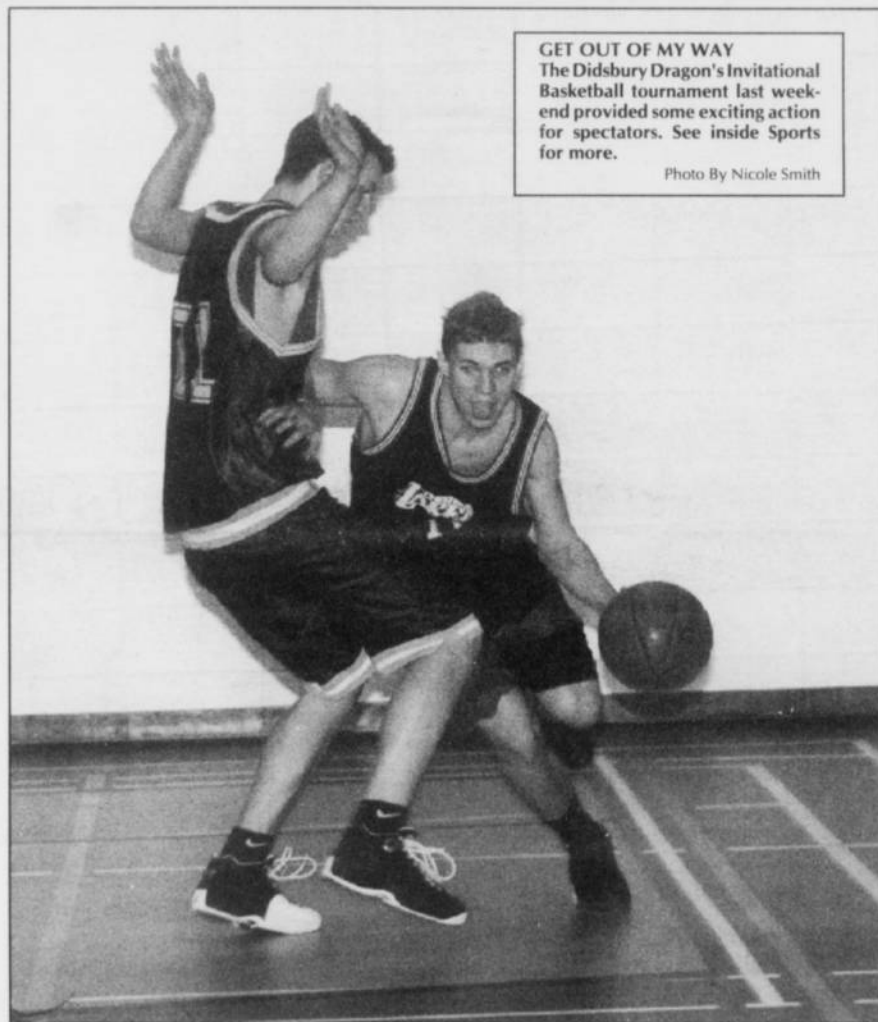
Other councillors agreed that it may come to something as severe as cutbacks of services, however said all that can be done, should be done, to avoid that scenario.

Coun. van Dam said, "That (the recreational facilities) is one of the major selling points of this community, we can't just shut things down."

Councillors suggested that administration request an informal meeting with the County of Mountain View to express their concerns about the funding formula and suggest a more equitable distribution.

"We need to at least lay it on the table," said Mayor Ray Lea.

Another suggestion was to ask Municipal Affairs to step in and



**GET OUT OF MY WAY**  
The Didsbury Dragon's Invitational Basketball tournament last weekend provided some exciting action for spectators. See inside Sports for more.

Photo By Nicole Smith

correct what the town feels to be an inequity. However, Parliament explained that it is out of their jurisdiction, the county collects the money it is their decision how it is distributed.

"We can lobby, we can scream and shout, but we can't walk into their office and say, 'you shall,'" said Parliament.

Harold Johnsrude, county commissioner, says he recognizes the fact that the Didsbury council may

feel jilted by the formula, however it is based on a formula that was established in 1995.

"We knew back in 1995 that Didsbury would be concerned because they would see a decrease," said Johnsrude in an interview. He further explains that the big drop in recreation grants to Didsbury has to do with the way the assessment of property within each jurisdiction was factored into the distribution. He explains that

the local Gas Plant used to be factored into the equation, however county council changed that last year and divides that money equally among all towns.

Johnsrude says the formula is unlikely to change but it will eventually come up for review, at which time the council will hear suggestions from the towns of Olds and Didsbury to divide the money based on a per capita instead of property values.



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### MIDGET MADNESS

A Didsbury Ramblers player and his rival, an Indus Falcons player, battle for the puck at the Midget tournament held this weekend.

Photo By Nicole Smith

## Fire not as severe as first thought

By Ceilidh McClurg

A fire near Crossfield has been blown out of proportion says Airdrie police.

Last week, news reports indicated that the Money's Mushrooms plant near Crossfield had burnt to the ground. In fact, Sgt. Bill Marlow, says it was a fertilizer quonset that burnt near Crossfield, and the actual plant operation is located in Airdrie.

"The plant is still going fine," says Marlow.

He clarifies that the quonset that burnt at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26, was only used as

a compost facility and no production of mushrooms came out of that building.

The dollar value of the items lost to the company has not yet been tallied, however what was lost was a backhoe and a compost mixing machine. The two employees who worked at the plant have lost their job, however, production continues, says Marlow.

Nothing serious, he insists. "Of course, it is still severe to Money's Mushrooms, because they lost a building," he says.

### correction

In the article referring to the proposed Horse Barns that ran in the Feb. 28 issue of the Review, it was stated that the County of Mountain View donated the land to be used for the project. The committee wished to clarify that the land was not donated outright, but instead leased at a nominal yearly fee for a period of 99 years to the Mountain View Livestock Complex committee.

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## County goes shopping ...and other county council notes

### Shopping spree

County council unanimously agreed to purchase two new graders at a cost of \$439,017 each. They have also agreed that the Public works department purchase a gravel truck at \$73,314 and a Tiger Boom Mower for \$26,757. Also to be purchased for that department are three new trucks at a total cost of \$93,288.

### FCSS funding approved

The county has doled out its total Family and Community Support Services budget. They unanimously voted to carry out the recommendations of the board, including one concerning the Family Violence and Prevention Services program. FVPS will only receive the first quarter of their total grant, until they provide further information to the board regarding where the money from the sale of their safe house went, and why so much of their budget is spent on administration costs. The council has also stipulated that the money given to FVPS, not be used to fund a Red Deer emergency crisis line because they felt it was not a service

being used by county residents.

Reeve Pat James said he noticed that each individual program that applied for FCSS funding had their own administration costs. He suggested that there be one consolidated administration so there would be more money left over for the programs.

### Permission granted

The council made a motion to grant permission for Coun. Jack Peck to be absent for the next few meetings due to other business he must attend to.

### Agriculture Appreciation

Council granted administration to continue in plans for holding an Agricultural Appreciation Night.

### Transportation grants

Transportation grants for each community in the county were approved at the council meeting last week. The local recipients of grants were Mountain View Health Care who received \$1500. The Five-0 Club received \$2500. Reeve Pat James said, "We tried to treat each community in an equitable fashion."

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# First library meeting cooperative

By Ceilidh McClurg

Parkland Regional Library Service has completed its restructuring and met for the first time with the new contract holders, which includes all the local municipalities.

"I thought the meeting went very well. There was a real spirit of cooperation," says Didsbury's representative on the Parkland board, Inez Kosinski.

Parkland Regional Library Service is a central facility that provides services such as book allotments, cataloguing, computer networks and support services.

The library service went through a time when it was sure it would survive. The school board, who used to pay for the

majority of libraries in a town, including municipal libraries, decided it should not be in the business of providing a service to anyone but its students, and cancelled their relationship with Parkland. The school board also gave each individual school the money for libraries and gave them the chance to search out which service they chose to deal with.

That left municipalities scrambling to find an alternative that was not only a good service but, also inexpensive. Parkland had to redesign its services to deal with clientele who were smaller.

Dave Derksen, the County of Mountain View representative, said he believes the new struc-

ture of libraries and Parkland allows for a closer relationship that when the school board represented the whole area.

"Because every community has a representative, we all get first hand information," says Derksen. He believes the one-on-one relationship will result in better services to library users through direct representation.

The needs of each municipality may be a just a little bit different... with the new set up we can answer that," he says.

The County of Mountain View was actually one of the last municipalities to join Parkland due some debate about the actual use of the library by the county residents. Just before deadline to join the system, the county agreed. Derksen says he believes it was a good move on their part.

In all, Parkland has signed contracts for service with 47 municipalities.

Kosinski also says she sees the benefit of the new system. "People are excited about being more directly represented on the board... It was more of a distant relationship going through the (school) board," she says.



CUTIE PIE

Ashleigh Krall might have tiny hands, but they can also be helping hands. She helped set out the desert table at the St. Anthony's Catholic Church Supper that took place at Wesgren School this Sunday.

Photo By Ceilidh McClurg

## Parkland, before and after

\*1997 was the last year local libraries were administrated by the school board.

	1997	1998
Number of schools served	108	101
Population served	141,000	115,000
Students served	28,000	28,000

# Victim Services vital again

By Ceilidh McClurg

After a few months of remaining stagnant, the Victim Services Program is back on its feet and looking for more volunteers.

In early April of last year, Didsbury chose to join forces with Sundre and Olds to provide a Victim Services in this community. However due to some misunderstandings on the board, had not become active.

Const. Morley Lippai the liaison from the Didsbury detachment has announced that after some restructuring, including a name change to Chinook Arch Victim Services, the group is ready to start taking cases again.

There are currently about nine volunteers from the three towns participating in the advocate role, but Lippai said more are needed to keep the program running.

"We could use another four or five advocates for the Sundre, Didsbury and Olds area," says Lippai. He has actively been seeking volunteers through presentations to community groups.

The role of a Victim Services advocate is extremely important

according to Lippai because it helps a victim or a crime or a crisis that may need a shoulder to lean on.

He says, "We have gone through so many situations where we (the RCMP investigators) always seem to abandon the victim and now we have some people that can offer them some comfort."

Lippai explains that the volunteers play a major role in the recovery of victims of crime, family violence, sexual assault, or even the family members whose loved one has died in an accident.

"Technically, the advocates are a referral mechanism," says Lippai. The volunteers are prepared with a list of services that can be accessed by the victim to help them overcome a particular situation.

When the local police are called out to a situation where they believe a Victim Services Advocate may be required, they call a volunteer who is on call for one week at a time, 24 hours per day on rotation.

The RCMP attend to the scene,

and once the situation is under control, they bring in the advocate to deal with the aftermath.

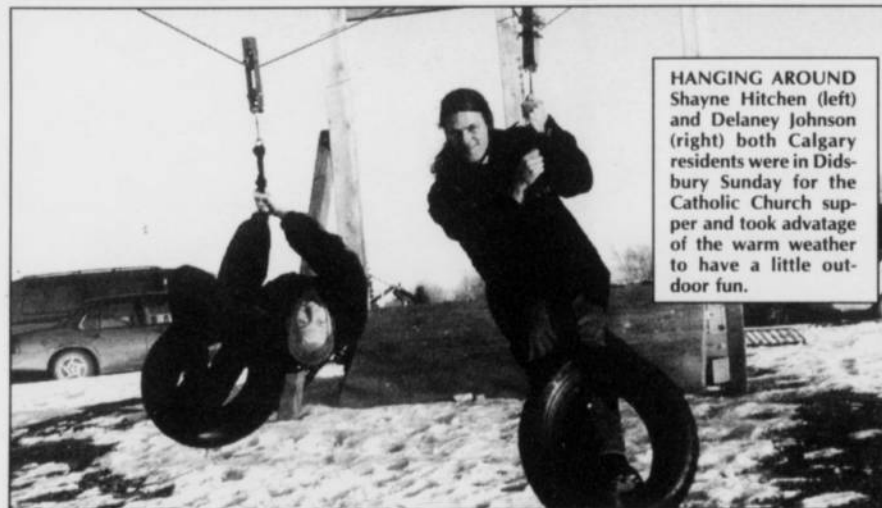
However, Lippai adds, "At no time are the advocates ever out in a situation where there might be a chance for violence."

Lippai admits that it takes a certain type of person to be able to handle these types of high stress situations, however the 80 hours of training taken by the volunteers helps them prepare.

The service is being used a great deal by the three detachments involved. In fact, in Sundre alone, before Didsbury became part of the program, between August of 1996 and August of 1997, the advocates were called out to deal with 113 situations.

The service is funded through fund-raising efforts. Currently, Lippai says the group is trying to raise enough money to be able to equip each volunteer with a pager or cellular phone so that they are available any time they are needed.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer can call Lippai at the local detachment at 335-3382.



HANGING AROUND  
Shayne Hitchen (left) and Delaney Johnson (right) both Calgary residents were in Didsbury Sunday for the Catholic Church supper and took advantage of the warm weather to have a little outdoor fun.

# Bike by-law bounced

## ... and other town council notes

### More downtown parking

Town council approved the creation of additional angle parking stalls along the south side of 19 Ave. adjacent to the Alberta Treasury Branch. The Treasury Branch parking lot will be removed and the planter will also be removed to make way for the new parking stalls.

### It's garbage

Town council will be receiving a proposal at their next meeting from the town engineer that the garbage collection fees be increased by \$1.50 per single family residence to \$7.90 per household, and that it be raised \$3 for those using community bins in multi-family dwellings.

Didsbury currently has almost the lowest garbage collection fees charged in the area. Other rates go as high as \$15 in Crossfield and as low as \$6 in Carstairs. Didsbury charges \$6.40 per household. The by-law will come to council at their next meeting for review.

### No bike license required

The council decided to repeal a by-law that had previously required people who ride bikes in town to have them licensed at a fee of \$2. The reason the by-law was dropped was because it was much too difficult to enforce and only about 30 bikes were being licensed each year. Wes Yeoman, town engineer, said the licensing system was costing more to administer than it was receiving. He still suggests that residents write down their serial number themselves to have in case their bicycle is ever stolen, which had previously been part of the rationalization for the original licensing process.

### Grant phased out

The town of Didsbury has traditionally provided a transportation grant to different groups in the community who required it such as the Didsbury Lion's, Accredited Supports to the Community and STARS Air Ambulance. However, the grant is no longer available from the province, therefore council passed a resolution to discontinue any future grants and instead funnel any requests for such money through the Didsbury Family and Community Support Services Board.

### Rosebud rates raised

Rosebud Valley Campground was given permission to raise their rates by \$1 per unit per night to help offset the costs of maintaining the site.

### Doggie donation

Town council supported \$200 in a seed contribution and 40 town pins to be given to the Canadian Rockies Siberian Husky Club sled dog derby to be held in town on the weekend of Feb. 28 and Mar. 1. Mayor Ray Lea said, "I think it is good when we have something different in town."

### Priorities placed

The town engineer asked council to place priority on four sidewalks in town that will be replaced as part of the Downtown Sidewalk Replacement Program. Priorities were as follows:

- #1 - West side of 20 St. (Sandstone building to Don's Travel)
- #2 - South side of 20 Ave. (Westerdale building to Didsbury Drugs)
- #3 - West side of 20 St. (Gazebo to Sears)
- #4 - West side of 20 St. (Dick's Auto to Home Hardware)

These sidewalks will be replaced as the funds become available.

## EDITORIAL / OPINIONS

## Lay your cards on the table



Cellidh  
McCLURG

"Just trust me!" he says with a coy smile.

It is the first sign of trouble if you were to ask me, or the majority of people.

However, Premier Ralph Klein has asked the taxpayers of this province to trust the people, that I trust the least - politicians.

Klein came out in the media last week backing up a decision from the Privacy Commissioner that the

expense account records of MLA's do not have to be released under a loophole in the Freedom of Information and Protection Act.

One could say that all he was doing was baking up a decision that was out of his control, and that is a fair argument. However, when you get to the guts of it, it was Klein's Conservative government that made changes in that very piece of legislation that enables MLA's to keep their expenses under wraps.

It's the old saying that applies here, "If you've got nothing to hide, then put your hands on the table." But, oh no, we are just supposed to trust that our tax dollars are being spent wisely.

Although I realize it was in the Liberal's best political interests to lay their cards on the table and stand up in caucus to hand over a detailed list of their expenses, it is still admirable that at least they are keeping track and being accountable to the taxpayer.

It has been proven time and time again, that if no one is watching what some politicians do, they take the advantage to fleece the public. Remember, when a federal Member of Parliament was questioned about a dinner for two in Paris that cost almost \$800? If the public had not found that out, that MP could have continued with his shenanigans, and how else would that have been discovered without the ability for the public to demanding to see how their tax dollars were being spent.

But, we are still just supposed to trust them. I don't think so. It is our money and we have a right to know where it is going.

I used to know a young lady who had a bit of a "sticky fingers" problem when it came to personal belongings of others. When confronted about misuse of her privileges and access to other's belongings, she became defensive. It became well known among her peers that if she said "Why don't you trust me?" and would raise a stink, it was a sure bet that she was guilty and had something to hide.

That particular girl has since grown up and realized that she must be accountable for her actions. I think it is time that our provincial majority government do the same.

On another somewhat related topic of accountability, I am about to make a suggestion and actually do something I am not known for, and that is to support the Klein government. We need to be accountable for what we are costing each other as taxpayers.

Discussion around our office the other day revolved around the increasing costs of health care and how unfair they were to those who really needed that service.

A suggestion came to the front that I think would make each and everyone one of us get a new perspective on health care and how lucky we are in this country. A co-worker suggested that the province send each and every citizen a year end statement that outlines what they paid into the system and the grand total of what the government spent to care for them.

For people like me, who complain about the system, because it has always been free as far as I am concerned, it would probably give me a little perspective into what I am really getting. It is called value for the dollar.

That is what this whole editorial is about. Let's make sure we are getting value for our dollar, and if we are let's praise it, and if we aren't let's demand answers.

**Editor's Note:** Since press time, Klein has agreed to release MLA's expense reports. Good for you Klein, that is taking responsibility for the actions of your government. Here's hoping there is nothing to worry about in them.

## CWB Act is changing

From the office of Ralph Goodale,

When it resumes next week, one of the first items of business in the House of Commons will be to continue debate on Bill C-4, the Act which will amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act. The following provides an explanation of Bill C-4, specifically, those aspects which will ensure that the CWB will be more democratic and accountable to western Canadian producers.

The proposed legislation is the result of thorough consultation, going back to 1995 and the work of the Western Grain Marketing Panel, numerous public meetings, thousands of letters, faxes and phone calls from farmers, the work last year of the House of Commons Standing Committee and further consultation by my office up to the moment the Bill was tabled.

When the legislation is passed, for the first time in its history, the CWB will be run by a Board of Directors. There will be 15 directors in total, and farmers will take control over their marketing agency by directly electing 10 of those directors-a two-third majority. Those elected directors will reflect the views of farmers in CWB decision making.

As in any modern-day corporation, all the powers of the CWB will be placed in the hands of its directors. They will select one of their own to be Chairperson. They will determine the salaries of the directors, the Chair and the President. They will oversee the CWB's management and control its strategic direction. If the directors are not satisfied with

any aspect of CWB operations, they will be able to make the necessary changes, including the introduction of flexible new marketing tools such as cash trading, expedited adjustment payments and early pool cash-outs.

Also, all of the directors will be entitled to complete disclosure of all CWB facts and figures, including (but not limited to) fully audited financial statements. They will be able to examine the prices at which grain is sold, the price premiums achieved, all operating cost and whether the CWB is running efficiently. With their full knowledge of the CWB and its global competition, the directors would be in a position to assess what informations should be made public and what, for commercial reasons, should remain confidential.

The new law will empower farmers with full democratic control over what the CWB does and does not market. Depending on what producers want, the new law could be used to implement virtually any of the marketing innovations which farm groups have been debating so vigorously over the past several years.

The new law will contain an "exclusion clause" to allow any kind, type, class or grade of wheat or barley to be removed, in whole or in part, from the CWB's jurisdiction. As a matter of fairness and balance, there is also an "inclusion clause." The inclusion clause will be available only for crops which currently come within the definition of "grain" in the existing CWB Act, namely oats, flax, rye

and canola.

The existence of an inclusion clause does not, by itself, change the CWB's mandate. It merely sets out a clear procedure for doing so-if, and only if, producers themselves believe such a change is in their best interests. Neither the government nor the CWB could trigger any inclusion. Only the producers of the grain in question could do so in the form of a written request from a legitimate organization whose membership consists solely of the producers of that grain. The deciding factor in relation to both clauses will be the majority preference of the actual producers of the grain in question, as expressed through a democratic vote of those producers.

The legislation also allows for the establishment of a contingency fund to give the Board of Directors the flexibility to adjust initial payments quickly (without waiting for government approval), to offer cash trading and to provide an early pool cash-out option. It will be up to the Board of Directors to decide if, when and how the contingency fund is used.

Western grain farmers have said they want a Canadian Wheat Board which is modernized, responsive, accountable and most important, democratic, allowing farmers to shape CWB to their needs. That is what they will gain with the passage of Bill C-4. This Bill is important to Prairie farmers and the Government of Canada is eager to put Canadian Wheat Board decision-making powers into the hands of those farmers.

## Reform has a plan to "secure your future"

By Myron Thompson, MP

I say that a reduction in the national debt and the lowering of taxes in next month's budget are needed in order for all Canadians to have a brighter economic future.

In order to turn our economic situation around, the Liberals have to acknowledge that the debt is now \$583 billion or \$77,700 per family. Ottawa now spends more on interest payments than health care, education and old age security combined. In 1996, the average Canadian family paid \$6000 in taxes just to pay the interest on our national debt.

The Reform Party is calling on the Liberals to spend 50% of the future budget surplus on the \$583 billion federal debt in order to cut it in half by the year 2016. Sticking to such a debt target would reduce the debt share of an average family of four from \$77,700 to \$36,900.

The remaining 50% of the budget surplus should go toward lowering taxes. The average Canadian family today pays just under half of their income to the tax man. Reform's plan would significantly reduce the tax burden on the poor and save the average family of four \$2000 a year.

Canadians are begging for tax relief. Since last summer's election, the Liberals have announced

at least 31 new spending measures, no debt reduction and no tax relief. The Liberals are bleeding us dry.

The Reform Party wants to show Canadians how debt and tax relief are possible. I would encourage everyone in my constituency to ask for the Reform Party's Economic Plan, "Securing Your Future," at 1-800-667-0410 and learn how working with a clear plan can secure our economic future.



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# EDITORIAL/OPINIONS

## Canadian economy roars into 1998

By Jean Chretien

Nothing builds confidence and optimism in people better than the knowledge that doing the right things works. The recent news on the economy is proof. As 1998 begins, it is clear that our approach continues to pay off for Canadians where it counts most in jobs and optimism.

Statistics Canada got the New Year off with a bang, reporting that the unemployment rate fell in December by 0.4% to 8.6%. This is the lowest level in more than seven years. A robust 63,000 new jobs were created in December-bringing the total number of new jobs created in all of 1997 to 363,000. This is almost twice the number of jobs created in 1996, and it continues the strong trend in job growth that has seen unemployment fall almost three full percentage points since we were first elected in 1993.

This is much more than a statistic. It means more Canadians have the dignity of work, can put food on the table, and can build a secure future for their families. It also spurs the new optimism that has grown across the country in recent years as, together, Canadians have met the historic challenge of restoring the economy.

Our government's Job Strategy has focused on getting the economic fundamentals right: eliminating the crushing \$42 billion deficit we inherited, making possible historically low inflation and interest rates. And we have made investments in key areas where government can make a difference: youth employment, trade and technology.

Thanks to our tremendous success in getting our fiscal house in order, we have also started to cut taxes. For example, just this past November, we reduced the employment insurance premiums of Canadians by \$1.4 billion for 1998. As of Jan. 1, we will have cut the amount Canadians annually pay in employment insurance premiums by an average of \$200 since 1993.

The elements of our Jobs Strategy have made for a potent economic recipe, a powerful mixture that has helped make Canada into what commentators are referring to as an economic "Growth Goliath." Looking to the future, the prestigious Organizations for Economic Cooperation and Development recently forecast that Canada will lead the G-7 nations in economic and job growth in 1998 and 1999.

What is essential is to finish the job we have started. We will stay on course to balance the budget no later than the end of 1998-99. We will stay the course that has lifted the dead weight of the deficit from the economy and unleashed its job-creating potential; the course that finds Canadians more optimistic about their own and Canada's future than has been the case in decades.

After first seeing the needs of the victims of the severe ice storms crisis, I resume my role as Captain of our long-planned Team Canada trade mission to Latin America. One-in-three Canadian jobs depends on trade, and our trade surplus has grown over 300% since Team Canada made its first trip in 1994.

## Cosmetic changes a sham, says Thompson

From Myron Thompson, MP

I've had enough with the smoke and mirrors revealed by Correctional Services Canada in last week's release of their investigation into two months of rioting at Millhaven Institution last winter.

The findings of this report apply to all of the institutions of CSC's care; the problems with the system are rampant. The 18 recommendations made by the Board of Investigation are supposed to bring Millhaven into compliance with CSC policy, but they don't even scratch the surface of what's wrong. Simply throwing 4.5 million dollars at the problems to make cosmetic or structural changes to the building won't fix anything. Reforms must go deeper.

In 1996/97 we saw the highest number of prison riots and disturbances ever. Wardens and prison guards have told me that the prisoners know that under CSC policies, they will not be



Jean Chretien

## Goodale says there is nothing to fear from "inclusion clause" in the new Canadian Wheat Board Law

From the office of Ralph Goodale, Minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board

A number of people have asked questions about the concept of an "inclusion clause" which is written into Bill C-4, the new law now before Parliament to change the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB). I am glad to have this opportunity to provide clarification.

The origins of the inclusion clause date back to the last Parliament when the predecessor to Bill C-4 was previously under debate. During the hearings of the House of Commons on Agriculture, a significant number of western witnesses said that if there was going to be a procedure which could potentially diminish the marketing jurisdiction of the CWB, then as a matter of fairness and balance there should also be a procedure whereby that jurisdiction might also be expanded—with the key and determining factor in both cases being the majority preference of actual producers as expressed through a democratic vote.

This discussion highlighted the fact that under the existing law the procedure for either adding to or subtracting from the CWB's mandate is unclear. As things stand now, the rules are not spelled out. In the final analysis, it would appear to be entirely a government decision, without

any requirement to consult with anyone and without any duty to hold a producer vote. This deficiency is being corrected in Bill C-4. Arbitrary government action will be avoided. All points of view will be treated fairly. And the decision-making authority will be placed where it belongs—in the hands of farmers themselves.

Specifically with respect to any potential inclusion:

Bill C-4 does not, by itself, change the CWB's mandate. It is merely enabling legislation which provides for that possibility if, and only if, producers believe it is in their best interests to do so.

Any possible inclusion could apply only to crops which fall within the current definition of "grain" in the existing CWB Act, namely oats, rye, flax and canola.

Neither the government nor the CWB nor any minority interest group could trigger the process.

The trigger mechanism would be a public, written request from a duly constituted farm organization whose entire membership consists solely of the producers of the grain in question throughout the prairies.

The request would have to be advertised publicly, leaving at least 120 days for public reaction.

The CWB's Board of Directors, which will include a two-thirds majority duly elected by farmers, would then consider the

request. In doing so, the directors would have a responsibility to examine all implications of such a move—including, among other things, the costs, the trade and commercial consequences and the public comments received.

If the directors agreed with the requested inclusion, the whole matter would then have to be put to a democratic vote among the producers of grain in question for their final ratification.

Thus, the whole process—beginning, middle and end—is fully and democratically in the hands of farmers themselves. This does not seem unreasonable. Why should farmers be denied the power to determine their own future in this very open and transparent manner? If the case against any possible inclusion is strong and compelling, there is nothing to fear in farmers, instead of the government, controlling the situation.

Taken together, the inclusion clause and the exclusion clause (which is also in the proposed new law) provide producers with the maximum flexibility to shape their marketing agency for the future as they see fit. If they opt to use these tools, every marketing innovation which farm groups have been debating over the past several years could be implemented, including voluntary pooling. The crucial determinant will be what producers (not politicians) believe is best.

## The limits of belief, make sure you know the truth

An international poll conducted last fall by Evironics, a Toronto-based survey company, exposed a high level of public confusion about the issue of global warming and the consequences of government action to contain the phenomenon.

The central planning faction of the environmental lobby and its media allies have successfully convinced people around the world that global warming is a real threat. In Canada, 61% of the public thinks that governments should "act now to reduce human impact on the world's climate." Even more alarming is the steady growth of the belief that such action will not cause economic harm.

The danger in this triumph of alarmist science is that politicians read the tea leaves and pass all sorts of noxious laws to capture the approval of their deluded constituents. Canada moved in this direction at the December "summit" in Kyoto, where we agreed to reduce emissions of so-called greenhouse gases by 6% from the 1990 levels. That target must be met by the year 2012. Forecasters predict that the true level of cuts will range from 20 to 30%, given that economic expansion over the 22-year spread will make the goal less attainable.

What will we have to pay? The Conference Board of Canada estimates that compliance through emission limits, trade sanctions and taxes will cost the Canadian economy somewhere between \$5.4 billion and \$30 billion by the year 2010. Another simulation by Environment Canada suggests that a 50% hike in energy prices would be required. That would jack the total up to \$150 billion and lower living standards in Canada substantially. In other words, nobody will escape the burden.

Before such drastic action is taken, shouldn't we make sure that the threat of global warming is real? Only in 32 years of the 20th century has any climate warming been remarked. During 64 of those years, the world cooled down. Land-surface records over the last decade indicate no warming at all, and weather satellites show a cooling of 0.13 degrees since 1979.

Before we hobble our economic performance with unnecessarily burdens based on bad science, it might be useful to review two other recent environmental scares and how they turned out.

First, in 1972, the Club of Rome predicted a rapid and complete depletion of global oil reserves. The Canadian government introduced the National Energy Policy, which ham-

pered Alberta and Saskatchewan's economies with tens of billions of dollars of losses and struck the rest of us with large, seemingly permanent tax increases. By 1990, unexploited world oil reserves stood at 900 billion barrels, not including hundreds of billions of barrels in tar shales.

Second, an even bigger boner was the theory that we would soon all starve to death as we ran out of food. Starting in the 1960s, exponents of the "population bomb" steadily spread the myth that world food resources would soon be exhausted. One 1980 study predicted food price increases of 115% by the year 2000. Zero Population Growth became the target and western countries expanded birth control programs at home and abroad. Since 1961, the world's population has indeed almost doubled, but food production more than doubled and world prices after inflation have fallen more than 40%.

You get the drift. The junk science pushed by panicky "sky is falling" environmentalists can have expensive consequences especially when they have the effect of stampeding innocent politicians into bad policies.

Let's not rush into anything based on naive and unproven beliefs.

# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Didsbury's quiet humanitarians

Dear Editor,

This is a 'bouquet' for one of the busiest stores on Main Street who have been quietly involved in a very good cause. Dennis and his team at Home Hardware, Didsbury, have distributed calendars to customers at Christmas. This year's calendar caught my attention because of the excellent art by a Canadian artist (along with some good coupons for purchasing merchandise at the store). That's good business and excellent marketing. But what isn't so well known is what is only briefly described on the back of the calendar.

For every calendar that they gave away, they sent \$0.99 to the Asthma Society as a contribution to support programs to help asthma sufferers. This is a very worthwhile cause and even makes it convenient for customers to contribute in addition to the calendars. The Home Hardware stores in Canada contributed over \$500,000 to the Society last year with a significant portion from the calendar. Congratulations.

And, with a smile and a lot of hard work, Home Hardware in Didsbury is competing very nicely with the 'big box' stores in Calgary and Red Deer providing service, selection and a very good cause to help many asthma sufferers. Good work team! We're proud of you.

Sincerely,  
Lloyd and Sharon Quantz  
Didsbury

## Livestock moratorium needed

Dear Editor,

I understand that in manure terms Alberta presently has the livestock equivalent of 50 million people.

By 2008, the provincial government wants to double the livestock population. The result for Alberta will be the manure equivalent of 100 million people. This is crazy.

The recently released fed-

eral-provincial water study shows that Alberta's water is in a real mess due to intensive agricultural and livestock operations, polluting our streams and rivers.

Enough is enough. Serious consideration should be given to putting a moratorium on further intensive livestock expansion in Alberta.

D. Smith  
Lethbridge

## CSC jeopardizing safety of Canadians

Dear Editor,

I was outraged to learn that Correctional Services Canada (CSC) permitted a 35 year old career criminal to be back on the streets where he raped a woman at knifepoint.

James Armbruster attacked the 37 year old clerk in Abbotsford on Jan. 20, just six days after his statutory release from prison.

Armbruster's history speaks for itself. Why on earth would CSC allow someone with 65 criminal convictions in the past 17 years back into the general population. He had a proven record of re-offending and violating the condition of his release twice in the past. He obviously should have been kept behind bars for his full sentence and deemed a dangerous offender.

This is not an isolated case. CSC has clearly been allowing people back onto the streets without considering if they are

going to commit serious harm to others. I think it's time for them to revamp the risk assessment system, since under the current system they obviously aren't able to identify those who are likely to re-offend or are a high risk offender.

The Solicitor General has been talking this week about the success of our parole system. Armbruster's offenses completely negate the Solicitor General's assurance that a majority of offenders successfully complete parole.

The Liberals say the cost of monitoring those on parole or statutory release is just over \$9000 and that this is a lot less than the \$66,000 spent each year to imprison someone. It may be a lot cheaper to parole someone, but the safety of Canadians should be priceless and paramount.

Sincerely,  
Myron Thompson MP

## Cheap land available soon

Dear Editor,

Last week I read with interest and astonishment about an appeal and subsequent approval of a 1000 animal hog operation in the Garrington area. I find it unbelievable that the Development Board denied approval originally, and then the Appeal Board subsequently approved it. Do you not think that the Development Board has justified reasons for denying approval in the first place?

From what I am able to gather by asking questions and doing some research, there were a number of highly qualified people, that stated that the proposal was not a good idea in that particular area. One was a professor of Biology from the University of Lethbridge. Another was an Engineering Consultant who consults for the Alberta Hog Producers Association, and he advised against this proposal as well. Even the Department of Fish and Wildlife stated it was a bad idea.

This development is to be situated in a sensitive water resource location, close to a slow moving river, in proximity to many shallow water wells (all used for drinking purposes), and is immediately above the Gleniffer Reservoir.

Not only is it a threat to the local residents drinking water,

it is a threat to the Red Deer River water treatment system, which supplies water to Innisfail, Bowden, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs and Crossfield. Red Deer gets its water from the same river system as does Drumheller.

Furthermore it is obvious that the members of the appeal board have not lived near a hog operation. Do you realize that you are effectively destroying the value of forty or more residential properties, and their enjoyment of life, as they are just across the road from this proposed site. There even had to be a relaxation of required distance from habitation buildings for this proposal.

I cannot believe that virtually all the reports gathered and submitted, all the negative responses of the local residents, the wisdom gathered from previous developments, and the will of the majority, were all ignored. How can this be? I really have to wonder what degree of intelligence went into this decision.

If Mr. Kanis is allowed to build his hog operation at this location, then he should also be forced to post bond to offset expenses if, as, and when this operation causes a problem with ground seepage water pollution. He should also be prepared to reimburse the local residents

for property values that just plummeted with the approval announcement. All the locals are being forced. No freedom of choice for them. I ask each of the board members these questions:

What would you pay for one of those local residences so you could live in it? Top dollar? Or less? Would you buy a property adjacent to a hog farm? If you would, then you better get out to Garrington Acres. I'm sure the whole shebang is for sale...cheap.

Any way that you look at this proposal, it stinks, and if you allow this development, then perhaps you should enter an undertaking to buy the adjacent residential properties. When the majority does not rule anymore, what is it called? I'm appalled that this can happen in Alberta.

I suggest that any of you that think likewise, take the time to write a note to the Development Appeal Board, your MLA, the Minister of Health (Halvar Jonson), the Minister for Environmental Protection (Ty Lund) and to Premier Ralph Klein. This sort of thing could happen next door to you too.

Sincerely,  
Jack Humphries  
Olds

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# FROM THE MAILBAG

## Questions for Myron Thompson

I read the opinions of our MP in the local paper and routinely find his knee-jerk responses to some of life's difficulties rather tiring, and pass them off as the ravings of one who keeps showing the world that he hasn't done much serious reading or thinking about the complexities surrounding the issues on which he pontificates.

And that is allowed, God bless democracy! I wish that he, and those who share his opinions, would please consider for a serious moment (preferably much longer) just what these young persons are to be learning when they are locked up?

Do they really think that when they have served their time (been appropriately punished), they will return as wise upstanding citizens, ready to move in next door and be a great neighbour? AS IF!!!!

The only thing the jail time does is keep the "problem" out of sight for awhile. When it returns it will only be bigger and badder. It is not logical to think that after spending an extended period of time with other "problems" they will have learned how

to behave nicely!

I'm not an advocate of non-punishment, but neither am I simple minded enough to be deluded into thinking that putting somebody away for awhile will really solve anything.

We need real solutions to the problems of criminal behaviour, not just longer sentences, more jails. Simply dumping the bad guys in jail does nothing towards a remedy.

If you can be perfectly happy with your new neighbour being a person who has just been released from a term of punishment that you have sent them to, then I have no quarrel with the idea of big long sentences as being helpful. But if you'd be uneasy, then I think you seriously need to rethink just what time in jail is intended to do.

I think that at long last we could find a proper use for the term Reform.

All that we get from Mr. Thompson is noises of Retribution and Revenge, and I for one would like to hear constructive ideas about helping the "bad apples (sic)" mend their ways so that they could be helped form a

healthy integration into community life. Mr. Thompson's idea is the standard politicians' short sighted pandering to prejudice and anger that keeps people from reasoned, intelligent thought. Sure, get your jails built and put away the bad guys, but those of us who are going to be around for the next decades will have to put up with the fallout of this short-sightedness.

Is it too much to ask a politi-

cian to think about issues in terms of greater than four years? From a Christian perspective, the New Testament makes it clear that Jesus criticized the old way of "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth." He taught and demonstrated a new way.

Is it too much to ask that we finally move on from the barbarism that Jesus was speaking against? Two thousand years later Christ's words still are ig-

nored.

Why haven't we heard outcries from the local ministerial association or any of its members against these un-Christian noises from Mr. Thompson?

Where is their salt?

Where is their witness?

Or are they, too, caught up in the pseudo-morality of popular opinion?

Sincerely,  
Glenn Kowalsky

## Concerned about the Wheat Board

Dear Editor,

I am writing about the CWB and the returns we have been receiving by delivering our wheat and malt barley to the Board.

For the past four or five years I have been checking prices across the line in places like Bottineau and Mirst, North Dakota. I am losing at least a dollar or more per bushel.

I delivered a load of #1 HRS Wheat to my local pool elevator and received \$2.20 net off the combine this fall. The same day I could have received \$5.00 Canadian for the same wheat in Bottineau, ND, a difference of \$2.80 per bushel. The money in my pocket the same day.

When the quarterback isn't doing his job, you get rid of the quarterback. You can use the same scenario with the Wheat Board. It just isn't doing its job.

Take a look at oats. When oat was under the Wheat Board, no one grew oats and there was no market, or so the Wheat Board said. So they let it go on to the open market. Since then, the number of acres has expanded and so has the price along with several spin-off benefits.

We hear all the time about the loss of young farmers from the land. I've got two young sons and the biggest deterrent to the young farmers is the CWB.

In 1943, when the Wheat Board took over full control of our grains, there were 3,700 people in the RM of Panasa Lake, today there are 800 people.

Year after year the Wheat Board takes the cream, leaving a very small margin for profit so the young farmers that don't have a lot of luck or have an extremely strong start from their parents, they just can't make it. So off to Alberta or BC they go to work in the oilfields or lumber camps.

If the Wheat Board is doing such a good job open their books, don't be afraid of competition and give farmers their choice.

Each year it is off board grains that keeps the average farm in the black-ask yourself why.

Just take the number of bushels of wheat and malt barley that are grown in Western Canada and just think of adding \$1.00 per bushel or more to the price we receive each year and you will realize it isn't millions of dollars we are losing, but billions.

Each year we pay large

amounts of denurrage charges that comes straight out of the farmers pockets. The Canadian government, not the farmer, should be paying the denurrage charges. As the farmer has no control over the grain once it leaves his farm, therefore he shouldn't be held responsible.

Some farmers are also worried about losing the cash advance. Just think if you were getting \$2-3 a bushel more on delivery to your elevator, you wouldn't need a cash advance to pay your biller.

Check the prices on non-board grains such as canola and oats in Canada and then check them in North Dakota and do the money exchange and you will find they are very close to the same. So why is there so much difference on the Board grains? The cheap food policy of the Canadian government has been absolutely devastating to the prairie provinces.

Come on all you farmers that still have your head in the sand, give it a shake, get the sand out of your eyes and wake up. It's time for change and the sooner the better.

Charles Anderson,  
Rose Valley, SK

## 'The answer' is given

Editor's note: This letter is in response to comments received by Kowalsky after writing the letter above entitled, "Question's For Myron Thompson."

Dear Editor,

I have been questioned and criticized after my last letter to the editor for only putting forth a question to Mr. Thompson about the jail sentencing issue, without giving what answer I thought would be appropriate. It was intentional to not give 'the answer' because that would have prevented readers from doing their own thinking about the question. However, lest I be thought of as some kind of soft-in-the-hand chap who is only capable of whining, unable to generate any progression of thought on an issue, here are some of my thoughts on the jailing issue.


1. Jails are necessary.
2. Jails shouldn't be places where inmates are assured of the finest gym facilities, color televisions and similar amenities.
3. Jails should be more than just keeping the problem out of sight (and therefore out of mind) for a while.
4. Jails should be more than just a form of punishment and deterrence, but should also (primarily) be a place of helping offenders becoming non-re-offenders, by education, counseling, and helping them make restitution (should that possibly exist).
5. Jails should not be places where offenders come out worse than they go in (which is frequently the case now).
6. Alternatives to jails must be considered as a means of punishing and rehabilitating offenders. If all that one has is a hammer, then everything will be a nail - it makes no sense to punish a wife beater the same way as a physician who is guilty of euthanizing a patient or a drunk driver or a cocaine dealer.

There is much to be said and studied and done about the problems which Mr. Thompson sees in the justice system. My concern, to repeat, has to do with the narrow thought that longer sentences are the answer to the problem. Mr. Thompson is not the only one who sees some problems. There is already work being done on improving the justice system, and those who express concern about deficiencies would do well to involve themselves in trying to understand the issues from more than one angle.

A lot of my frustration in this regard has to do with the lack of reasoned thought which is so apparent in most of these discussions. The gun control issue is a classic example. For the government to have my neighbor register his collection of antique pistols which are incapable of firing any shots is simply stupid. They have invented a hammer and so now everything is a nail. The world is more complicated than that, and just like the gun control issue needing a lot more reasoned thought than it got, the issue of the problem of crime being solved by simply jailing people for longer periods is not a reasonable concept. More creative approaches must be used to deal with this complex problem.

Democracy is 'we the people' (to borrow from the US Declaration). We must be involved in helping the politicians find creative, sound, intelligent, workable solutions to the problems in our society, if we wish it to be vibrant, healthy and diverse. Get involved. But for the sake of improving things, let's be involved by more than parroting a populist noise which only appeals to one's baser instincts.

Sincerely,  
Glenn Kowalsky


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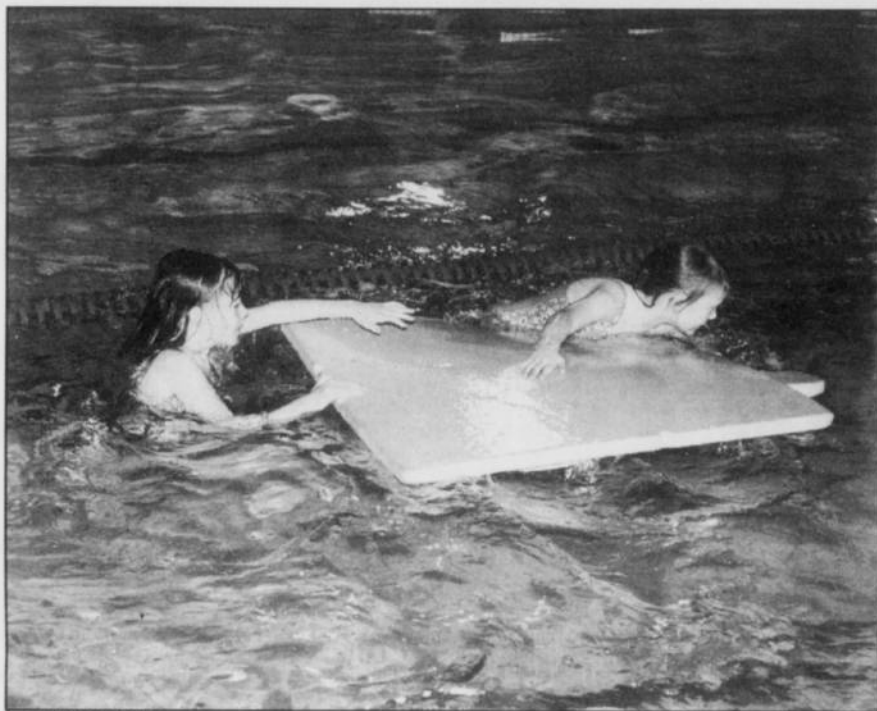
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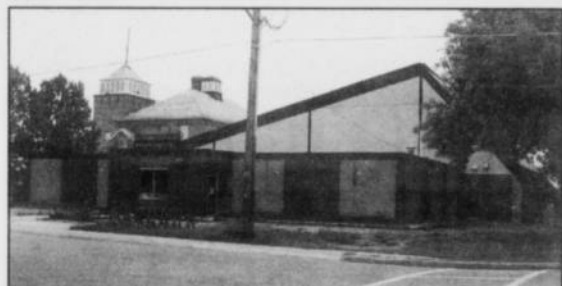
## DAC has been splashing around for five years



### MAKING WAVES

Two youngsters enjoy their Friday off school and take a dip in the pool at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre. DAC workers estimate that over 300,000 pool patrons have gone through the doors since it's opening in February of 1993.

Photo by Nicole Smith



### THIS OLD POOL

A picture of the old Didsbury swimming pool. After completion of DAC, the former pool was demolished. The old pool site was subdivided and sold as residential lots.

### By Nicole Smith

Time sure flies when you're having fun. Or does it float by? Either way, five years have passed since the Didsbury Aquatic Centre (DAC) opened its doors for business.

In June of 1992 the green light was given to begin construction on a new pool. Town property owners voted to allow the town to borrow \$1.078 million to pay for a new pool in a public plebiscite. The results of the plebiscite were 60.2% in favour of the loan and 39.8% against.

DAC was to replace the existing pool in Didsbury, which was at least 20 years old and falling apart.

Construction on the pool began in late July of 1992. The job was contracted to Penn-Co, a pool construction general contractor out of Calgary. The total price of the construction contract for the pool alone was \$1,310,752.

The total price of the pool, including landscaping, decorating and fire system improvements was \$1,536,363.

Many people contributed to the construction of the new pool, including the Build Our Pool (BOP) group. BOP had raised over \$103,000 by February of 1993, by fund-raising events such as elevator movie nights. These funds were to be put towards the purchase of a whirlpool, steam bath and waterslide.

Upon its completion in February 1993, the figures gathered by the town office showed that the pool costs came in under budget and showed a surplus of

\$44,923, between costs and revenues for the pool and services to the Memorial Complex.

DAC officially opened in February 1993 and Nicole Plewis was the lucky young lady who won the first swim in the new pool.

After Plewis took her turn, over 600 people jumped in to join her on the free swim day.

Celebrations were held over the weekend, with celebrities like Michelle Cameron, Olympic Gold Medalist in swimming attending. Cameron was awarded her first swimming badge in the old Didsbury pool.

Murals, painted by local artist Ruth Jepson, that decorated the walls were unveiled to the public as well.

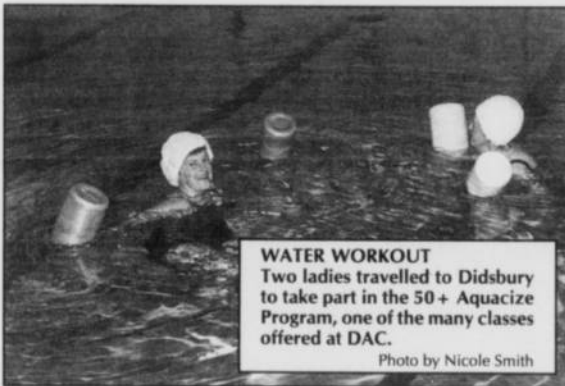
After giving Didsburians four years to enjoy their new pool, DAC gave them something else to look forward to, a waterslide.

The Ultra Flume Twister 320' was opened to the public on Feb. 15-16, 1996. After a problem with the pump was solved, Alex Taylor was the first to slip down the slide.

BFI Waste Management had donated \$15,000 to the construction of the slide. Steps up the slide tower were sold to raise funds as well.

Now, in 1998, DAC continues to work hard for their patrons. Many different classes and programs are put on by the pool weekly.

On Feb. 14-16, the Didsbury Aquatic Centre will be hosting a celebratory weekend for the five year anniversary of the pool and the one year anniversary of the waterslide.



### WATER WORKOUT

Two ladies travelled to Didsbury to take part in the 50+ Aquacize Program, one of the many classes offered at DAC.

Photo by Nicole Smith



### SLIDING ALONG

Construction on the Ultra Flume Twister 320' waterslide progressed quickly for the Feb. 14-16, 1996 opening.

## Test your memory contest

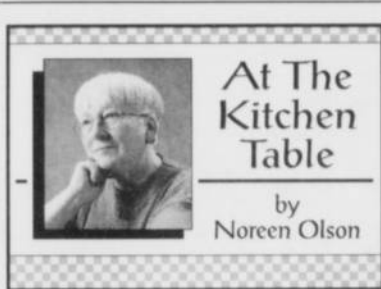
### Contest rules:

1. Answer as many questions as you can. Remember correct answers are important-the more correct answers the better.
2. Submit your answer sheet to the Didsbury Aquatic Centre reception staff on or before Feb. 16.
3. All submissions will be checked for correct answers. All those with correct answers will be entered into a draw for three grand prizes: 1st prize-three month individual pass (slide not included), 2nd prize-one free set of swimming lessons and 3rd prize-five free aquacize classes.
4. All submissions into the contest will be entered into our draw for a total of ten (10) free swimming passes/aquacize passes. These will be handed out as single prizes; thus, a total of ten (10) draws will take place.
5. All draws will be final-no substitutions will be made.
6. No Town of Didsbury employee or family member will be eligible for prizes.

Answer the following questions-and remember, the more correct answers, the better.

1. How many months did it take to complete the building of the Didsbury Aquatic Centre (from ground-breaking to Grand Opening)?
2. Name three (3) of the original staff members. Name those, if any, who still remain.
3. When did Didsbury Aquatic Centre officially open?
4. What was Phase III for the Didsbury Aquatic Centre?
5. What do the initials BOP stand for? Name three volunteers of this organization.
6. Who led the first aquacize class at the Didsbury Aquatics Centre?
7. What year did the outside patio open?
8. What recent work of art was added to the Didsbury Aquatic Centre?
9. Where would you find two left feet at Didsbury Aquatic Centre?
10. Name ten (10) employees, past or present, of the Didsbury Aquatic Centre.





## At The Kitchen Table

by  
Noreen Olson

ended in tragedy so try to temper your romantic Valentine feelings with respect, honesty, day-to-day caring, support, love and friendship. That way you may still have the same Valentine next year at this time.

There was more than one Saint called "Valentine" and none of them were exactly the stuff that romance is made of. One was a Roman priest, one was the Bishop of Terni. Both were celibate and both were martyred toward the end of the 3rd century. The Roman priest had been performing weddings against the edict of the mad Emperor Claudius and while he (Valentine) was in prison awaiting execution he fell in love with the jailer's blind daughter and miraculously restored her sight. His farewell message to her was signed "from your Valentine," so there is an element of love in the story, but no happily ever after.

Greek mythology, classic literature and real history are filled with romances that went awry. Aphrodite was married to Ares but in love with Adonis who was eventually killed by a wild boar. Ancient Greek lovers Hero and Leander were separated by a mile of water filled with strong currents. Every night Hero swam across to meet Leander until one night he drowned in a storm. Pyramus and Thisbe were Babylonian lovers who lived next door, but whose parents forbade them to meet. Shakespeare mocks their tale in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* but copies the story in *Romeo and Juliet*, and we all know how well that turned out. King Arthur was married to Guinever who was in love with Lancelot who died of grief six weeks after her death. The Royal family has had so many dreadful marriages and non-marriages, annulments and divorces, banishments, beheadings, and imprisonments that you would have to have a score card to get an overall view. Movie stars can swear undying love at breakfast and file for divorce before lunch. One of the younger Kennedy's asked for an annulment after two children, and all over the world the rich and powerful swap tired old spouses for firm new ones. Love that lasts is a lot more than flowers and a mushy card on Valentine's Day.

If you are still determined to put all your faith in romance you are going to need all the help you can get so here are some sure fire charms that will help bring your beloved under your spell.

While chanting your sweetheart's name throw a dozen new pins into a fire at midnight or push two pins into a lighted candle. Stick a knife into a bone from a roasted leg of lamb on three successive nights. Gather three roses on midsummer's eve, the next morning bury one under an apple tree, one in a churchyard and keep the third under your pillow for three nights before burning it. Your lover's dreams will be haunted by your presence and he will return to you. Secretly dig up some earth from your loved ones footprint, put the dirt in a flowerpot and plant marigold seeds in it. This keeps him from straying.

A number of foods are supposed to promote romance but getting him or her to eat them might be a bit tricky, fried cuttlefish, duck's beak, leopard's heart, snails, alligator, frog's legs, bear paw, curried fruit bat, pig's trotters, blood puddings, raw steak and rattlesnake. Maybe if you disguise these delicacies with the suggested romantic spices, cinnamon, ginger, saffron, coriander, mint, basil, rosemary and thyme. Tomato is supposed to be good as are parsnips, spinach and onions. My personal choice would be roast beef, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, peas, carrots and green salad but I have only been studying this for 35 years.

No Valentine column would be complete without a poem, so here, with apologies to Ogden Nash, are a few lines that I might put on a card for my Valentine.

More than a catbird hates a cat, or a criminal hates a clue, more than I hate spiders, that's how much I love you.

Happy Valentine's Day and Love from me.

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St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, is a celebration of love and romance and if you have a good and true love, it is certainly worth celebrating and you have my heartfelt congratulations. The truth is though, most of history's great romantic love stories



### LOCAL LIFESAVERS

Back row left to right: Reta Blackely, Holly Gillrie, Yvonne Cottrell, Audrey Campbell, Patti Vanbeselaere, Alana Haggel, Sharon Styles.

Front row left to right: Sian Lewis, Jennifer Jensen, Chad Durieux, Leah Wygiera, Dean Rousseau.

Missing: Deann Daniels, Stephanie McNeil, Courtney Murphy, Rhonda Hunter, Jennifer Lamoureux

Photo by Nicole Smith

## Making waves

By Leah Wygiera

Lifeguards...not just an occupation television dramas are based on.

It's not an easy road to becoming a lifeguard or swimming instructor, but the rewards are very fulfilling.

Most lifeguards begin their love of the water at a very young age, hanging out at their local pool, taking various levels of swimming. Once a young swimmer has reached 13 years of age, they are eligible to obtain their Bronze Medallion award. This level requires a variety of rescue, first aid, fitness and swimming skills. Then when a candidate is 14, they can move on to the Bronze Cross award. At this level it becomes a lot more of a challenge to meet the rigid fit-

ness, first aid, CPR, knowledge and swimming requirements.

When a participant makes it beyond this level, at 16, they are eligible to challenge the National Lifeguard Service Award. It is here where an individual's lifeguarding and rescue skills are really put to the test, as well as the intense fitness, first aid and knowledge required to become a full-fledged certified lifeguard. From this point, a successful individual can choose to branch off into several areas of aquatics.

As swimming instructor, for example, is one area most lifeguards choose to obtain certification in. There are several directions of instruction that one can choose: Red Cross Instructor, Royal Lifesaving Society Instructor, First Aid Instructor, NLS In-

structor, CPR Instructor, as well as Instructor Training.

Other areas of aquatics that some choose to specialize in include: Aquatic Fitness (Aquacize and Deep Water Workout or 50+ Fitness), synchronized swimming coach, competitive coach and the list goes on.

Aquatics is a great field to make a career of and the market demand is always high. It's also great to have the training and qualifications to fall back on.

All the staff at DAC agree that aquatics is a fun and exciting field to pursue. They encourage anyone curious about checking out this occupation to come down to the Aquatic Centre and talk to them. They're always eager to share their knowledge.

## Royal Purple #317 News

Wed., Jan. 14, the Regular Meeting was opened by Honored Royal Lady Ellen Tevendale in short form. Secretary read the Official Visit Report from District Deputy Susan Pratt. Acknowledgement from Alberta Children's Hospital for the donation given to District Deputy in lieu of a Lodge gift. Congratulations to Lady Sheila Metcalfe who transferred to Ponoka Lodge. Olds and District Food Bank thanked the Lodge for our donations at Christmas.

Ladies are invited to attend the annual Meeting of Didsbury Health Care Auxiliary Feb. 12 at 1:30 p.m. at the Five-0 Centre. Calgary Lodge #7 has extended an invitation to their Birthday Supper and Meeting, Feb. 2.

Sunshine Chairperson PHRL Annie Pringle has sent get-well wishes to Ladies Audrey Persinger and Mary McCulloch in hospital. Sympathy is extended to Lady Violet and Brother Henry

DeLauf on the passing of his brother. Also to Stavely Lodge on the death of Lady Patricia Major.

January birthday greetings to PHRL Annie Pringle. HRL Tevendale presented 5 year pins to Ladies Jessie Newman and Violet DeLauf.

Door prize was won by Lady Bernice Blois and HRL Draw by Lady Kelly Larson.

Jan. 28 a special meeting was held for Membership Night with guests Elsie Lumley, Carole Natyshen, Mary Devine and Georgia Eichler attending.

We were saddened by the passing of our Charter Member PHRL Hazel Milne and extend our deepest sympathy to her family and special friend Ed.

An invitation was received to Crossfield Lodge 37th Birth-

day and PHRL Night on March 9. Jan. 17 Team Meeting was reported on by Lecturing Lady Kelly Larson.

Congratulations to PHRL Joyce and Brother Jim Armour on the birth of their grandson and also to PHRL Myra and PER Bob Uhryn on the birth of a grandson and to the parents Penny and Darren

Quantz. Sympathy to PHRL Betty and Elwood Casebeer on the death of his brother and also on the death of Betty's cousin. Also to Lady Betty Moon on the death of her sister-in-law and her nephew.

Door prize was won by Carole Natyshen. Bit of fun and games by Ladies Kay Rylance and Betty Casebeer.

A lovely lunch was served and birthday cake presented to HRL Ellen Tevendale for her Feb. 2 birthday.



## Lodge News

By Annie Caush

Hi all. Well, we're getting some nicer weather after a taste of winter.

Here at the Lodge we keep busy with various activities. The January Birthday Party last week was hosted by several auxiliary members and some helpers. We were entertained by the Matchullis family. They sang and also played some piano solos for us.

Those celebrating January birthdays are Betty Dodd, Mary

Furber, Katie Harper and Harry Palmer. Happy birthday all.

At their last meeting, the Lodge Auxiliary made preliminary plans for the Spring Tea. It will be Tuesday, April 7, so mark your calendars so you don't miss it.

In spite of all the flu going around, we have no one in the hospital as I write this news, although some have been in and out since I last wrote. Hope we can manage to keep well. Spring is just around the corner.



**Sheryl  
ROTHERT**

## So... now what's to eat?

Sheryl Rothert is a wife, mother and an advocate of healthy food choices with a B.Sc., B.Ed. in Home Economics. With more than a decade's worth of teaching experience, Rothert now offers tips and recipes for today's busy family.

Have you been sticking to your plan? Low-fat, low-cost keeping the waistline and the budget nice and trim? Yes? Great! You've earned a treat - these cookies have got a very rewarding taste - just don't get carried away and have too many - it's easy to do! They've got fiber and protein in them, so they are good for your health. What's also nice about this recipe is that you make cookies when you've run out of eggs!

### Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Cookies

2 c. flour	1 c. margarine, low-fat
1/2 tsp. salt	1/4 c. boiling water
2 c. rolled oats	1 tsp. baking soda
1 c. chocolate chips	1 c. peanut butter
1 c. brown sugar	

1. Preheat oven to 350F. Prep pans with canola spray
2. Mix flour with rolled oats, salt, and chocolate chips.
3. In a separate bowl, place the baking soda, followed by the boiling water.
4. Add the margarine and brown sugar to the baking soda and blend with the electric mixer.
5. Combine peanut butter with the creamed mixture and add to the dry ingredients, blending well.
6. Drop mixture onto cookie sheet in small spoonfuls and flatten with a fork. (or potato masher!)
7. Bake for 10 min. for soft cookies; 15 min. for crunchy.

\*\*\*\* Makes 4 - 5 dozen

**TIP of the week:** Shopping tip #2 - Purchase some foods that will be quick to prepare on those busy nights (for when you don't have something all put together in the freezer!) These foods don't have to be prepared foods you find in the store's freezer. Dinner's that are quick to prepare: fajitas, stir fries, pasta dishes. Make enough to have leftovers and some of the fixings can be put together in a soup - a quick one for the next day.

## Words from Westglen

By Christine Ta

This week the Wildcats of Westglen are busy finishing up our mid-terms or/and just working hard on their schoolwork. Here's what we've been up to this week.

Congratulations to the Junior Curlers that won all their games playing in Didsbury against Cremona, Olds and Sundre. On Jan. 27 the boys and girls basketball

teams from Westglen went and played Cremona. We'll let you know the scores in the next "Words from Westglen."

This week the Grade 8's (Mr. Overguard's class) is busy finishing mid-terms and other school work. In Language Arts they are doing novel studies of their choice, in Math they are learning how to solve algebra problems, in Science they are

learning about the earth's crust and in Social they are studying about Canada. Keep up the good work Grade 8's.

There isn't much happening in student council, but we still need a few more chaperones for the dance on Feb. 6.

Thanks for reading this weeks "Words from Westglen". See you again with more scores and school events.

## Volunteer resources

Volunteer Resources, as an integral member of the health care team provides an opportunity for community members to support and enhance the quality holistic care provided health care professionals.

Dysphagia or swallowing disorders are very common among our senior population. Because of weakness, confusion or inability to use their hands, a resident in long term care facilities may require some assistance during meals. It is not always possible for the staff to give each resident individual attention during the entire meal. This has created a need for volunteers to enhance the quality of life for these residents.

A Volunteer Feeding Program will teach some basic theories on swallowing and feeding, it will provide special training in feeding techniques and will also have a practical hands on segment.

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in the area of feeding really help to encourage a relaxed social atmosphere and support the staff

in providing quality care for the residents. Please watch for upcoming information.

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### TEACHING TEACHERS

Tracy Edwards a Grade 6 teacher from Cremona School takes Lion's Quest Training in Bowden last Friday. Lion's Quest training is provided by the area Lion's Clubs and trains teachers how to educate their students in personal and social skills. Jim Critchley, senior trainer for the program coaches Edwards.



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This happens to some people and depends to a certain degree on the kind of vision problems they may have. Without glasses or contact lenses comfortably in place, they may scowl or squint or frown. Sometimes their eyelids become irritated and red or their eyes tear more than usual. Sensitivity to light is another eye discomfort that some people suffer occasionally. But much more than eye discomfort may be involved. Any of these symptoms may also be your eyes' way of

signaling that something is wrong and treatment is needed. Any disease of the eye, even in its earliest stages, can be dangerous to your vision.

Good vision and eye comfort are essential to your sense of well being. That's one reason why regular eye checkups are recommended. If you haven't had an eye examination recently, perhaps you should make an appointment now.

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# Around the Circle, Didsbury events

By Marge St. Clair

Wednesday, Feb. 4-The Didsbury and District Ag. Society will hold the monthly meeting at the Curling Rink at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 5-The Didsbury Library is again sponsoring their "Brown Bag Travel Hour" starting at 12:00 noon SHARP. "Conquering the Swamps: explore through history and wildlife, the Florida Everglades."

Friday, Feb. 6-The Seniors Dance starts at 8:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. Good music, good food, a very nominal charge at the door-come and enjoy.

Tuesday, Feb. 10-You are welcome to attend the "Be My Valentine" Breakfast sponsored by the Mountain View Christian Women's Club at the 5-0 Club from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Special feature, music and speaker. Please remember reservations are a must and cancellations are necessary. A complimentary nursery is provided. Please phone Ethel 335-4739 or Nancy 337-3200 for reservations or rides.

Wednesday, Feb. 11-A Valentine pot luck dinner is being held at the 5-0 Club at 12:30 p.m. Bring your favorite recipe of meat, salad or dessert and enjoy the company. There is a charge at the door.

Thursday, Feb. 12-A Valentine Ham and Turkey supper is being held at the Church of God in Carstairs from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets at the door, for more information please phone the church office at 337-3045.

Friday and Saturday Feb. 13 and 14-This is the weekend of the Alberta Mennonite Mens Bonspeil at the Curling Rink, starting Friday evening and all day Saturday. Great curling to watch and an excellent selection of pies for sale, mmm!

Monday, Feb. 16-All 5-0 Club members are reminded of the annual meeting and election of officers at 1:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. Please remember

this is your club and your presence is requested.

Monday, Feb. 16-The Chamber of Commerce will meet at the 5-0 Club. Supper is at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 17-Dr. Nugent will hold a foot clinic at the 5-0 Club from 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. No appointment necessary, just sign in, visit and wait your turn.

More on "Brown Bag Theatre":

Thursday, Feb. 12-12:00 noon SHARP. "Yellowhead Route: Gateway to Alaska"-travel along Highway 16 and

Highway 37 to Yukon and Alaska where you will see some really beautiful scenery.

Thursday, Feb. 19-12:00 noon SHARP. "The First and Last Frontier"-explore the frontier, Alaska with its history and wildlife.

Thursday, Feb. 26-12:00 noon SHARP. Double header. "Cuba" and "Exotic Thailand".

Thursday, March 5-12:00 noon SHARP. "North Rim of the Grand Canyon"-visit the north rim and Bryce Canyon.

Saturday, Feb. 21-Theatre Two Thousand is presenting a murder mystery dinner at Melvin Hall. All info and tickets by phoning Joanna 335-8689.

Please remember Mom's Time Out (Dad's too) is held every Monday morning at the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Please phone Lorraine 337-3503 for info.

The Toy Library is open Tuesday and Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church Hall. You can also call Lorraine for info on this.

The Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Masonic Hall. Phone Marcel 335-8846 for info.

The Museum is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m..

Please phone 335-9295 if you have articles to donate or to volunteer.

Saturday, Feb. 28-Theatre Didsbury will be presenting "The Odd Couple"-the female

version, at the Olds Evergreen Hall. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Show is at 8:00 p.m. This is a pub night and tickets are on sale at Medi-Plus, mainstreet in Olds. Enjoy!

Rosebud Community Club  
**Ladies' Coffee Party**  
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Marge  
ST CLAIR

## Public Education funding has risen from rock bottom but it's got a way to go yet!

The recent reinvestment in Public Education is a positive sign that the government has recognized the impact of cuts on Alberta children, teachers, businesses, parents...in fact, all Albertans.

However, a closer look at the announced \$380 million reinvestment figure reveals that funding has not returned to anywhere near the levels prior to the 1994 cut.

Almost half of the proposed increase is not reinvestment but simply the result of meeting government obligations for anticipated student enrolment growth.

It seems like a lot of money but it falls short of providing Alberta's children with quality education...it falls short of allowing Albertans to have the best Public Education system.

In short, reinvestment is a start toward ending the yo-yo game of Public Education funding but our children still need and deserve a better deal.

Please consider the facts and end the yo-yo game!



**Public Education...  
it's time to reinvest  
in our future!**



The Alberta  
Teachers' Association

In Alberta, Public Education refers to both public and separate schools.

**2001**  
Funding increases for 2001 are still coming up short of meeting the needs of schools.

**1994**  
Public Education funding hits rock bottom with a 12.4% spending cut amounting to \$239 million.

## Children in today's society are less active

Kids today aren't as active as they should be. New technologies, changes in family structure and cutbacks to the school system have changed the way kids live and play. Many kids spend too much of their time in front of the TV, computer or video game machine. They are bused to school and don't receive adequate physical education time when they get there. The result? Almost 60% of today's kids don't meet average fitness standards and 40% of five to eight year olds are classified as obese.

What does this low fitness level mean to us as a society? Does it really make a difference if our children aren't as physically active as they should be? Consider that improvements in academic performance, discipline and self-concept are benefits associated with regular physical activity. Children and youth who are physically active report lower levels of smoking and alcohol consumption than their less active peers. Childhood activity and fitness levels tend to continue into adulthood.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Mark Fischer serves up a piece of birthday cake to Opus the Literacy Owl. Cake was the centre of attraction at the library's birthday ceremonies that were held Jan. 24 at the Didsbury Municipal Library. Opus was the guest of honor. Many former library board members, and other community members came to the celebrations and browsed history displays that chronicled the library's 90 year past.

## A second wind: asthmatics and exercise

After a hard workout or a long run, many people find it hard to "catch their breath." This is particularly true for people who suffer from asthma. Most asthmatics begin to wheeze, cough or experience shortness of breath during or a few minutes after exercise or exertion.

The symptoms are usually mild and only last for 20 to 30 minutes. This is called exercise-induced asthma.

### What causes exercise induced asthma?

Current research suggests that exercise-induced asthma is due to airway cooling and drying, because of the increase in breathing during exercise. This results in the release of chemicals from airways cells, causing the muscles which circle around the airway to tighten, thus narrowing and obstructing the flow of air.

Some exercise-induced asthma also appears to result from breathing cold, dry air which dries out and irritates the inner lining of the airways, causing a decrease in lung function. It is often associated with running in cold weather.

Typically, symptoms of exercise-induced asthma include difficult breathing, wheezing, coughing, gagging and tightness in the chest which comes on after some minutes of vigorous exercise. Some asthmatics develop wheezing only after stopping exercise, and in others wheezing may worsen for a period after activity ceases.

### Can asthmatics still exercise?

Several past Olympic athletes have asthma - so it is no excuse to stop exercising! Exercise is good for most people, with or without

asthma. It strengthens the heart and body muscles, relieves stress and improves a sense of well-being. A benefit of regular exercise for asthmatics is that it allows them to make a daily assessment of their lung capacity.

When their condition is under control, people with asthma are able to participate in most sports. Activities such as swimming, gymnastics and fitness programs are good exercises for asthmatic adults and children because they allow them to participate at their own levels.

People with asthma may need to take rest breaks while they exercise. It is also very important for asthmatics to use medication before exercise to prevent asthma symptoms or an attack.

### What treatment options are available for asthmatics?

Medication plays an important role in treating and managing asthma. Up to now, there have been two main types of asthma treatment - bronchodilators and anti-inflammatories.

Bronchodilators, also known as relievers, help relieve asthma attacks once they have started. Anti-inflammatories, known as preventers, are taken regularly to keep the bronchial tubes open and help prevent asthma attacks from starting.

A new class of asthma medication, called leukotriene receptor antagonists, is under development and is the first asthma treatment advance in more than a decade. The treatment has been extremely well tolerated in clinical trials and is an effective addition to today's standard therapies.

The purpose of asthma medi-

cines is to help people control their asthma, making them feel better and allowing them to do what they want to do - including exercise - without asthma gets tiny in the way. With appropriate treatment, asthmatics can exercise and participate in the sports they enjoy. For more information on asthma or new treatment options\* talk to your doctor.

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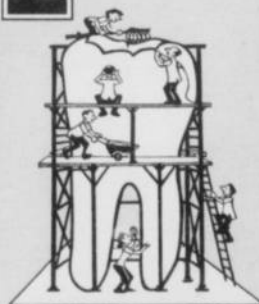
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# Faces

a brief glimpse at the people and events in our community

Compiled by Nicole Smith



## Buckle up

In today's economy, things are getting more and more expensive. When we shop, we have to consider whether or not what we are buying is something that we are going to use for a long time.

Sometimes there are alternatives to spending a lot of money on things that will be of minimal use to us. The Car Seat Campaign is one such alternative.

The Car Seat Campaign is a program that is being put on by Health Authority 5-Didsbury Public Health Nursing. It gives new mothers the option of renting an infant car seat, instead of buying one.

The program, started last spring, rents the car seats for nine months, or until the child is 20 lbs.

A deposit of \$50 is taken at the time of rental, and \$30 is refunded at the time of return, given that the car seat is still in good condition.

Tara Briggs, the Public Health Nurse in Didsbury, says that the campaign is a much more economical way of keeping your child safe.

"It's for anyone that doesn't want to buy a seat. Some people only plan on having one child, so there's not much point in buying one," Briggs said.

She says that the program is picking up a lot more, and hopes that they will soon be able to buy a toddler car seat as well.

"We don't make a lot of money with the program, it's more for the safety of children," Briggs said.



## A Piece of History

This adding machine may be as old as 50 to 75 years old, but Calvin Dick says it still works like a charm.

He brought the antique piece of equipment into the Contemporary Graphic office a couple of weeks ago looking to see if there were still printing ribbons available that could be used. Well, there wasn't an exact match, but it was rigged up to work.

"Finding parts can be a problem," says Dick.

The Smith Corona adding machine once belonged to Dick's father, Joe Dick who was one of the pioneers of Didsbury. Joe was a livestock dealer and a trucker and used the machine to run his businesses efficiently. Calvin says it helps him run his farm just as efficiently even in today's day and age of solar powered calculators, in fact, he prefers the antiquated machine because he says it is more reliable.

Calvin says eventually it will be retired. "Probably sometime we'll put it away, but we'll use it for now," he says. Even when he does decide to stop using the adding machine he says he will still keep it in good shape to retain its history in the family.



## Where is this masked man or woman?

The culprit of the Montreal Canadiens sign theft is still on the loose, and he has struck again.

The latest ransom note that was sent to the Review and to Parliament reads:

So, you're out to find out who I am  
This clever one with the ultimate scam  
You print my picture for all to see  
The rumor is you're looking for me

Your favorite team is Montreal  
A sign you own proclaims it all  
You are sure their number one fan  
I have your sign, catch me if you can  
...Your Pal

We are going to turn the tables on this man or woman and start to provide our readers with some clues that might help you identify who might have pulled an extravagant prank on Evan Parliament from the Town Office.

You see, Parliament is a die-hard Canadiens fan as anyone who has breezed by his office would know. Whoever perpetrated this crime/joke knows how very much Parliament's memorabilia means to him. He or She took one of his most prized possessions not once but twice. It is his Canadiens sign that once hung above his garage on his home. That is one of the first clues, the person who stole the sign must know where he lives. Also note that "Kicks" the cat doesn't seem to fear the bandit at all.

They must also have a town office key, or at least an accomplice, because last week the sign was stolen right where Parliament thought it would be safe - his office.

The next clue is that, the person who managed to have Parliament running around the town all day in a frantic frenzy, must have known his schedule very well. The reason is that each time he left the office to hunt down another ransom note, clue, or photo, leading him to the next place, an anonymous note was delivered to his office.

It must have been someone in his office, you say. Parliament has also accused everyone within those walls, all to meet a flood of denials. Some of his friends and employees have even produced detailed alibis to prove their innocence.

If you have any idea who the bandit may be or have any further clues, please call the Review at 335-3301 or Parliament at 335-3391.

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# Personal Directives Act becomes law in Alberta

Through a personal directive, Albertans now have the opportunity to leave instructions should they ever lose their decision-making abilities because of illness or injury.

The Personal Directives Act came into effect on December 1, 1997. It allows Albertans to

create a legal document, known as a "personal directive," in which they can specify their wishes. Instructions can cover specific situations or they can involve appointing someone to act on one's behalf. Matters that can be covered by a personal directive include:

- Medical treatments
- Living arrangements (where and with whom)
- Choices about personal activities (recreation, education, employment, etc.)
- Legal matters
- Other non-financial matters

A personal directive cannot include any illegal practices.

Making a personal directive is entirely voluntary. For those who choose to write one, the services of an attorney can be helpful, but it is not necessary. A personal directive must be signed, dated, and witnessed in order to qualify as a legal document.

**"Choice is important. This new legislation gives Albertans the ability to express their wishes if, because of an illness or injury, they lose the ability to make decisions."**

**- Dr. Lyle Oberg**

More information on personal directives, including a self-help kit, is available from local libraries, Regional Health Authorities, the Alberta Government website, local

Offices of the Public Guardian, and other local sites. A phone line (427-7945) is also set-up (toll-free access outside Edmonton is available by first dialing 310-0000) for public inquiries.

During extensive public consultations, many Albertans said they wanted a law that allows them to make their own decisions in advance, in case they become incapacitated.

By making a personal di-

rective, Albertans can leave specific instructions about such matters as health care treatments or accommodation and they can appoint someone (an "agent") to make decisions on their behalf. This legislation allows these kinds of important decisions to remain personal in nature, in consultation with families, friends and trusted advisors.

Most other jurisdictions in Canada and the United States have similar legislation. Seven provinces in Canada have personal directives legislation and the other three (including Alberta) are in the process of creating personal directives legislation.

A legal will covers matters after the point of death. A personal directive covers matters for a person who is still alive but has experienced an incapacitating illness or injury.

What safeguards are there to ensure personal directives are voluntary? It is extremely important that service providers and other Albertans understand that personal directives must be created voluntarily. Under the legislation, fines of up to \$10,000 can be

issued for requiring a person to make a personal directive in order to remain in an accommodation.

Over the past year, we have been conducting training sessions for service providers. As well, educational materials are available to help service providers who must implement the law, and members of the public who want to write a

personal directive. The Office of the Public Guardian is available to provide training if requested.

The Act does not require that you register your personal directive. However, there are sample wallet cards in the educational booklets to guide service providers to where the personal directive is kept or who to contact.



**JUST STUFF IT**

Claude Baril (front) and George Grisack (behind) were the designated turkey chefs at the St. Anthony's turkey supper last Sunday. The pair, as well as many other volunteers, spent hours in the Westglen kitchen preparing a whole meal spread including stuffing and dessert.

## RELIGION

# Way of Life: God's fair play codes; #1 "Have fun"

*Editors note: This article is the first in a three part series that will run consecutively over the next few weeks.*

**By Bruce Wiebe**

Sociologists tell us that underlying every relationship there is a set of agreed upon principles which serve as a guide to the health of relationships. Sports enthusiasts call these principles the "fair play code," and they in-



**Pastor Bruce WIEBE**  
Bergthal Mennonite

clude such things as having fun, obeying the rules, and earning respect. When these codes are followed, the game of life is worth playing, but life becomes an agitation when some choose to ignore them. Christians understand God as the creator of these fair play codes. By following these codes we place ourselves within the context in which the game of life, as God intended it, can be understood and appreciated.

When God created all things

and declared them to be "very good," the purpose of life was clear. All people were to enjoy life, to have fun, to take great pleasures in the things which God has graciously given us. Yet, in the very act of playing, we often forget to have fun. Christians are often caricatured as straight-laced and sombre people who invite others to worship and praise God. Why would anyone want to be with a bunch of deadpan Christians who don't know how to laugh and smile? Paul tells us in 1 Timothy 6:17 that "God richly provides us with every-

thing for our enjoyment." I am convinced that God wants us to lighten up and enjoy what God richly gives us.

Yet, life is simply a party. Paul goes on to say that we are to have fun while we "do good, (are) rich in good works, generous, ready to share." This is a reminder that enjoyment in life does not assume a non-chalant attitude towards the difficulties of life. Instead, a faith perspective understands that enjoyment occurs in the very context of the complexities in life.

Both the good and the bad

are parts of the whole which God has created and in which God is present to save and to keep.

All of life can be enjoyable because all parts of life find their meaning and purpose in God.

So, have fun while you work and give of your time and effort, value friends and family while you struggle with problems, laugh a lot and see the humour in life's absurdities, enjoy the privilege of praying and worshipping God. Have fun and life will be worth playing.

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# In Business

## Changes to corporate registration

By Richard Marz, MLA for Olds/Didsbury/Three Hills

When starting up a new business, or just keeping your existing business running, you may need to register corporate documents like annual returns, the change of your corporate address, your trade name, or your partnership name.

As of Jan. 26, private sector service providers began to directly handle these kinds of corporate registrations instead of the provincial government. By Feb. 9, all of your business' corporate registration services will be done through authorized service providers.

An authorized service provider is a Registry Agent, law firm, search house, or paralegal firm with an accredited person on staff. An accredited person is someone who has passed an examination prepared by Alberta Municipal Affairs, Registries. Courses are available to help people train for these examinations.

So far, over 600 people across Alberta have registered in the training and accreditation program. This means businesses in Alberta will have more convenient access to corporate registration services. Businesses will no longer be required to deliver documents to government offices and then wait several weeks for approvals to be mailed back.

For example, if you want to incorporate a new business, you

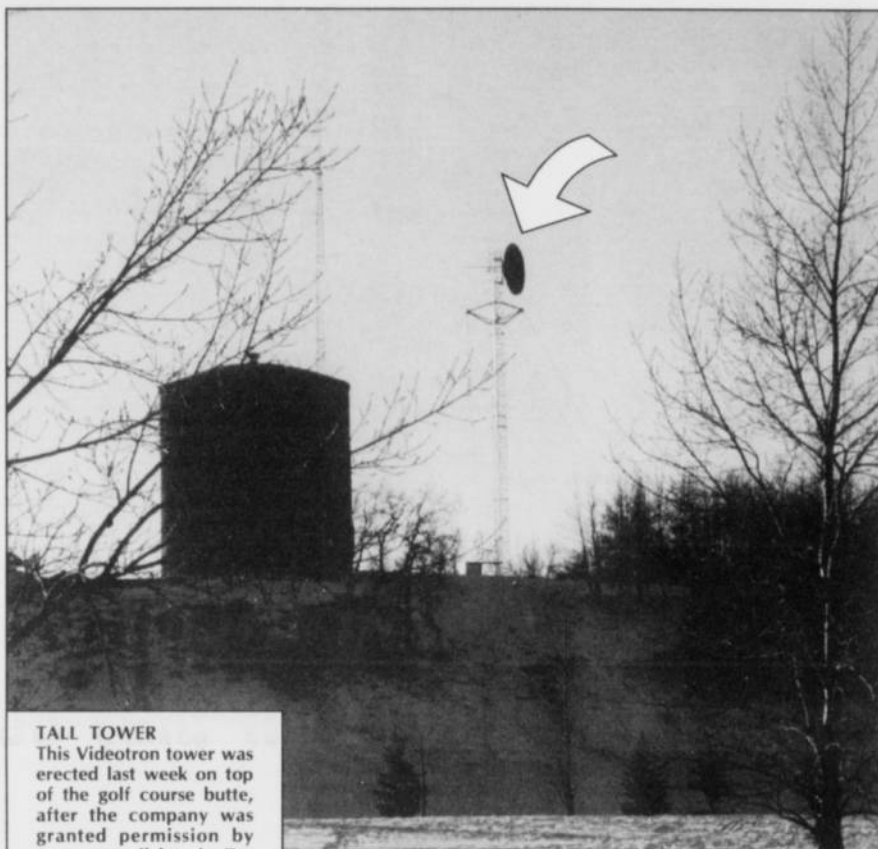
have two options for registration.

You can consult with a professional, such as a lawyer, and have that person capture the necessary corporate registration information electronically. They will then send the information, electronically, to the provincial government for verification. Law firms offering Corporate Registry services will either be an authorized service provider or be working with an authorized service provider.

Or, if you have the expertise to prepare the necessary corporate registration information on your own, you can now take it to an authorized service provider, which could be the same registry agent who renews your vehicle registration. The service provider will then capture the information electronically in their office and transmit it to the government.

In both cases, approval will most likely be instantaneous and a certificate of incorporation may be issued at their location immediately. This is a considerable improvement over the old system that used to take three weeks or more.

A list of authorized service providers can be found by checking the Yellow Pages directory under Registry Agents or by accessing the Alberta Municipal Affairs' home page at [www.gov.ab.ca/~ma/reg/index.htm](http://www.gov.ab.ca/~ma/reg/index.htm).



### TALL TOWER

This Videotron tower was erected last week on top of the golf course butte, after the company was granted permission by town council late in December.

To help beautify the butte, Videotron has agreed to sponsor the painting of a mural on the adjacent water tower. The mural would depict recreational activities in the community.

## Notice to Businesses

Do you need to register corporate documents like annual returns, the change of your corporate address, a trade name or partnership name?

### Changes at Corporate Registry

As of January 26, 1998, private sector service providers will begin to handle corporate registrations instead of the provincial government. By February 9, 1998, all corporate registration services will be done through authorized service providers.

### What will this mean to business?

Processing documents will be instantaneous. And more service providers will mean more convenience to business.

### Where do you go now for service?

Authorized service providers can be found by checking the "Yellow Pages" directory under Registry Agents or by accessing the Alberta Municipal Affairs home page at: [www.gov.ab.ca/~ma/reg/index.htm](http://www.gov.ab.ca/~ma/reg/index.htm)

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## Team Canada trip a success for Olds College reps

It was an exhausting 16-day trip, but Rob Turner, President of Olds College, says his participation in the Team Canada trade mission to Latin America will pay big benefits to the College.

Turner signed letters of intent with the government of Mexico and a college in Chile to formalize and expand programs that Olds College already has in those two countries, but feels new contacts made on the trip will also be valuable.

"On a trip like this you plant a lot of seeds and it will take some time for them to grow," says Turner.

"I met politicians, Chief Executive Officers, foreign dignitaries and trade officials that I could never have met otherwise. Now they all know about Olds College and these contacts will expand our already substantial international presence in Latin

America. There are many opportunities for Olds to attract and train foreign students and provide agricultural educational assistance," he said.

"Especially useful on a trip like this is the chance to meet and get to know executives of Canadian companies and tell them about Olds College," Turner said.

"This should result in new partnerships for the College to help us maintain our position as the leading-edge, applied agricultural and horticultural institution in Canada."

While Turner spent most of the trip on official duties promoting in the College, he did get one half day off in Buenos Aires, Brazil. With fellow trade mission member Jim Richardson, of Pioneer Grain in Winnipeg, he tracked down the grave of Eva Peron, better known as

Evita, subject of the popular musical and movie.

In Mexico City, Turner signed a letter of intent with Ernesto Guajardo Maldonado, Director General for Agricultural Technological Education with the Mexican Secretariat for Public Education. This will lead to increases in staff and student exchanges with Mexican agricultural colleges. Last fall 35 Mexican educators spent two weeks at the College studying extension course delivery methods.

In Santiago, Chile, Turner signed a protocol with the Paine Agriculture Management Technology College. This will increase the number of students coming to Olds from Chile. Chilean students have been attending Olds College for the last three years and there are 14 students here this year.

# Area farmers show off in "Steer-a-Year" Trial

Blonde d'Aquitaine crossbred steers are leading the way for weight gains among 14 beef breeds. That strong statement is backed-up by solid data from the 1997-98 Olds College "Steer-A-Year" trial.

The annual trial, conducted by the college's Animal Science department, runs from October to April. The test compares five steers from differing during the 140-day time frame (five 28-day weigh periods).

Olds' data showed the Blonde d'Aquitaine steers leading in the Average Daily Gain (ADG) category, averaging 3.83 lbs/day per head for the first weigh period. At the second weighing

date, Jan. 7, the five steers were gaining at 3.80 lbs/day, which played them first again (tied with another breed). The Blonde steers weighed an average of 747 lbs each when the test began on Nov. 5, 1997. At the first 28-day weigh period, the steers had gained 119 lbs on average each. After the second 28-day weigh, they had gained 129 lbs each to reach 995 lbs each on average.

Ultrasound results showed the Blonde steers to have some of the highest marbling scores and they led the way with the highest average lean meat yield at 62.1%.

The Blonde crossbred steers

came from the herd of Westlane Farms, Stan and Sarah Korschuh, Didsbury. Out of crossbred females (Blonde/Charolais/Simmental), the steers were sired by a registered Blonde d'Aquitaine bull.

The Olds College "Steer-A-Year" Trial follows the steers through the feedlot to the packing plant, offering further information, such as carcass yield.

Final Olds data also determines the most profit produced

by one breed. In 1997, Blonde finished as third best in the Profit/Head category among the 13 breeds represented. In the ADG category, the 1997 Blonde group finished at 3.16 lbs/day of gain. The breed excelled in the carcass Lean Meat Yield at 63.6%, which was second overall.

The Olds "Steer-A-Year" trial began in 1984. The steers are fed in the same environments using the same feed under strictly monitored conditions.

All the breeds are housed together, but in separate breed pens.

The steers are purchased by the college through breed association representatives, explained Sandi Jones, a beef instructor at Olds.

When the steers are finished (as determined by the students using ultrasound measurements), the steers are sold to XL Foods Ltd. in Calgary, and sent to their packing plant.

## Parkland Regional Library organizes

The Board of Parkland Regional Library is pleased to announce the election of Mayor Alan Taylor as Board Chair. Alan Taylor is the mayor of Olds and was also the Chairman of the Steering Committee that guided the restructuring process during 1997. Jack Friesen of Lacombe will serve as vice-chair.

A 7-member Executive Committee elected on a geographical basis has also been formed: Alan Taylor, board Chair representing the Mountain View area, Jack Friesen vice-chair, representing Lacombe area, Dale Toogood, City of Camrose, Heather Loomer, MD of Clearwater, David Coombs for Camrose and Ponoka area, Patricia-Jo Carroll for Red Deer area and Helen Whitten representing Flagstaff, Paintearth and the Village of Donalda.

Parkland Regional Library began Jan. 1 as a municipally based regional library system with 47 municipal councils as members and a population base of 115,165. Library services will be provided to 41 public libraries within this membership. PRL will also continue to provide library services to school libraries on a contract basis and will serve 101 school libraries within the region.

Parklands organizational meeting was held Jan. 24 at PRL headquarters in Lacombe.

## Olds Auction Report

Report for week ending January 27, 1998 2646 cattle and 185 hogs

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800 lb Steers 95 to 112; Heifers 90 to 106.  
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# Nutrient supplying power of canola and pea stubble

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## Regional Advisory Services

By Brent Flaten, Crop Specialist in Soils Management

A joint project between myself, Ken Greer, and Battle River Research Group was set up to look at nutrient supplying power of canola stubble versus pea stubble under both conventional and zero tillage systems. These plots were then seeded to wheat. We used Plant Root Simulator (PRS) probes to measure the nutrient supplying power of the soils over three, two week periods. The first two consecutive two week periods started at seeding. The last two week period we measured was while the heads were filling. The latter gave us an idea of the nutrient supplying power (especially nitrogen) at the crucial time for protein synthesis in the wheat kernels.

Early in the growing season, soils under canola stubble (both zero and conventional tillage combined) had 14% higher nitrate and 28% higher sulphate supplying power as compared to those under pea stubble. However, later in the season, soils under pea stubble (both zero and conventional tillage combined) supplied almost twice as much nitrate as canola stubble. The pea stubble acted as a slow release nitrogen stubble and was available during the critical filling stage of the wheat. This, however didn't translate into higher proteins though farmers' experiences tend to show pea stubble normally increases wheat protein. One possible explanation for this is the nitrate supply rate of canola stubble at the filling stage was still fairly high for that time of year. In any case, our results

show that nitrate supply at the filling stage of wheat is not the only contributing factor towards grain protein.

Differences in nutrient supplying power between tillage treatments only showed up during mid June, when zero tillage (both canola and pea stubble combined) had signifi-

cantly higher nitrate and sulphate supplying power than conventional tillage. A few years ago, most people thought that crop residues wouldn't decompose as quickly under zero tillage thus reducing the supply of plant available nutrients in the system. The results from our research show

that this is not always true. When crop residue is incorporated into the soil, significant immobilization of nutrients can occur because microorganisms and leaching releases much of the nutrients into the soil. This has been confirmed in other recent research too. Interestingly, there was a difference between how the two crop stubbles reacted to tillage. Nitrate supplying power of canola stubble under zero tillage was significantly higher than under conven-

tional tillage, reflecting greater nitrate immobilization by decomposing canola residue. Conversely, land under pea stubble was not affected by residue incorporation. Pea stubble under the two tillage systems showed no significant differences but trended towards slightly higher nitrate supplying power under conventional tillage as compared to zero tillage. Sulphate supplying power showed similar results in both canola and pea stubbles.

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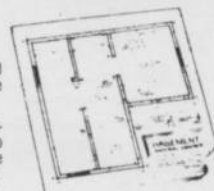
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Are stairs and ladders in good condition, with hand rails in place? Are stairs clear of objects and slippery substances? Have damaged floor boards and defects in concrete floors been re-

paired?

Is building and yard lighting adequate? Are light fixtures in storage areas containing combustible materials protected against breakage (ie. explosion-proof fixtures)? Is electrical wiring checked and verified as sound? Are repairs made promptly?

Are materials and supplies stored so that they will not fall on someone or collapse if a

worker climbs on them? Is lumber piled securely so that there is no danger of it falling on a child? Are nails removed from loose boards before the lumber is stacked?

Are passageways blocked by stored items? Do you have locked storage for farm chemicals, poison, herbicides, fuel, and veterinary supplies?

Are emergency phone numbers, including the poison con-

trol centre number, directions to the farm, and land locations posted beside all telephones on the farm?

Saving a few minutes is not worth losing a lifetime. Don't be too busy to be safe, and help teach that attitude to others. Mountain View Partners for Farm Health and Safety wants you to recognize the hazards, farm safety and save a little work for tomorrow.



# The farm less travelled

By Mike Salomons

Jack Kalisvaart and his son Mike, who farm near Gibbons, Alberta, have reduced their fuel consumption, labor and tractor use by two-thirds. And yet, they are producing as much or more than before.

The Kalisvaarts are part of a growing revolution in farming known as minimum till farming, or direct seeding.

"Twenty years ago, when the first farmers in this area started direct seeding, people thought they belonged in a mental institution," says Jack. "But now, 90 % of the farmers in our area are using minimum till."

Minimum till farming is exactly what its name implies. After an initial treatment with a post emergent herbicide, crops are seeded directly into the previous year's crop stubble. Barring any pest problems, the field is then left until the crop is ready to harvest, significantly reducing the number of field operations.

In fact, Jack and Mike refer to the few remaining conventional farmers in their area as "recreational tillers" because they spend so much time driving over their fields. Study after study shows that minimum till farming offers improved yields, less work, and better protection against soil erosion.

Minimum till is more advantageous in dry years than in wet

years, but even in wet years an established minimum till field gives similar yields to conventional till. And test plots established by Alberta Agriculture have shown increased returns of over \$35 per acre for directly seeded as opposed to conventionally planted canola.

Dr. Lloyd Dosdall of the Alberta Research Council studies the growth of canola under minimum till conditions. He found that some pests - root maggots for example - prefer the wetter soil conditions found in minimum till fields. However, he notes that the increased yields of minimum till more than make up for any losses.

As well, other pests, such as flea beetles, are significantly reduced under minimum till regimes. One concern that many farmers have is the increased use of herbicides in a minimum till situation.

The Kalisvaarts have found this to be true when converting a conventional till field to minimum till, especially if the land has not been well taken care of.

But this is balanced by what they claim is a decrease in the number of weeds, and wild oats in particular, under a well established minimum till field.

"Because the seeds are not plowed into the soil each year, many of our fields are almost completely wild oat free."

Minimum till farming is not

without its problems. Jack and Mike admit that there is a very steep learning curve the first year that a farmer tries minimum till farming. It requires a different set of management skills, and a willingness to experiment with new methods.

In some areas little minimum till is used because of the high amounts of crop residues that are left in the fields after harvest.

Switching to a minimum till system also requires a high initial capital investment for direct seeding equipment.

Still, Dave Driedger, who has been practicing minimum till farming for 10 years in Northern Alberta, says one of the biggest obstacles to farmers switching over is that running a minimum till system seems too easy.

Conventional belief says that improvements come only by working the land harder. It's difficult to believe that being a good land steward and having consistently high yields can be achieved by actually spending less time in the field.

Salomons is a researcher/writer for Earthkeeping, a food and agriculture organization which is concerned about justice, stewardship, and sustainability in food production, distribution, and consumption, both locally and globally.

## Agri-News briefs

### Alberta farms and farmland

In 1996, there were 58,990 farms in Alberta. The 1996 Census of Agriculture shows that this is up three per cent from 57,245 in 1991. Total farmland increased as well by one per cent. Although there was an overall increase, Alberta's average farm size is 881 acres, down from 898 acres in 1991. Alberta accounted for 24.6% of Canada's gross farm receipts and average provincial farm revenue was up 26.3 % to \$134,107. Expenses also increased by 23.4 % to \$113,057. The average value of capital per farm in the province is \$680,557. Compared to 1991, Alberta seeded acres were up 2.7 % but summer fallow area was down 18.9 %. Irrigated crop area rose to 1.28 million acres which is 63.8 % of all irrigated land in Canada. The no till area was 1.94 million acres, up 215.3 % from 1991.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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In accordance with Part 2, Division 2 of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Shell Canada Limited has applied to Alberta Environmental Protection for a renewal of an existing approval to continue to operate the Shantz sulphur forming and handling facility. The operation is located at SW of Section 35 Township 31 Range 4 W5M and has a processing capacity of 6000 tonnes per day of sulphur.

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Any improvements effected during the term of this lease, such as construction of fences, shall become the property of Mountain View County at the expiration of the lease. Any "breaking up" of existing grassland may only be done with the permission of County Council.

Tenders must include:

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Tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 17th, 1998. The highest, or any tender, will not necessarily be accepted.

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# Sports and entertainment

## Chestermere Lakers defend tournament title

The Chestermere Lakers successfully defended their title at the Dragon Invitational Basketball Tournament in Didsbury last weekend. The Lakers defeated a strong Edmonton Christian Lions squad 95-85 in the final game to capture their second first place finish in the last two years. Chestermere took control of the game early in the first half with good outside shooting against the Lions zone defence resulting in a 56-39 half-time lead. Edmonton countered with a smaller line-up and played man-to-man in the second half and were able to close the gap but Chestermere's pressure defence and transition game led to many lay-up points in the late stages of the game.

Chestermere made it to the final game with two relatively easy wins over Calgary Christian 99-52 and Calmar 92-19 in the round robin games and a more difficult 97-89 victory over the Olds Spartans in the A semifinal. Edmonton Christian reached the final by defeating Acme 87-53 and Olds Koinonia 86-54. The Lions met David Thompson in the other

A semifinal and came away with an 85-68 win.

In other games Olds High Spartans claimed the third place trophy with a 95-76 win over David Thompson. The B Event was captured by Immanuel Christian from Lethbridge as they registered a 90-74 win over David Thompson. Oilfields High from Black Diamond won the C Event by defeating Acme 60-36. The sportsmanship trophy was awarded by the tournament referees to the Acme Redmen.

Ten tournament all-stars were chosen from the 140 players who played during the weekend. The five second team all-stars included John Imanse (Calgary Christian), Karim Belmoufid (Black Diamond), John Hinger (Strathcona Christian), Byron Hartzler (Olds Koinonia) and Steve Buesink (Immanuel Christian). First team all-stars were led by Brad Holt (Chestermere) who was also chosen as the MVP of the tournament. The four other first team all-stars included Steve Jackson (Olds



**THOSE LUCKY LAKERS**

The Chestermere Lakers defended their title well by winning the Dragon's Invitational Basketball Tournament for the second year in a row. They beat the Edmonton Christian Lions 95-85 in the final.

Photo by Nicole Smith

High), Jeremy Sherman (Chestermere), Joel VanDoesburg (Edmonton

Christian), and Ray Teskey (David Thompson).

The Dragons would like to

thank the many parents who organized and ran a very successful tournament.

## Scholarships awarded at the all-star banquet

Thirteen Alberta Junior Hockey League players and alumni received scholarships totalling \$7,550 at the league's annual all-star banquet on Jan. 24 in Grande Prairie.

The Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund and Friends of Alberta Junior Hockey Society have combined to present at least \$127,200 worth of scholarships since 1984. The total worth of scholarships awarded since 1989 is \$113,550.

Brad Krawchik of the Sherwood Park Crusaders was among five recipients of \$650 scholarships from the Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund and Friends of Alberta Junior Hockey Society.

Four alumni-former Bonnyville Pontiacs' forward Kevin Kuryluk, former Fort Saskatchewan Traders' forward Tim Gaumont, former Olds Grizzlys' goalie Ryan Ludwar and former St. Albert Saints' centre Dan

Bokenfohr received similar scholarships.

Former Sherwood Park centre Bobby Niedzielski received the \$650 Richard Warwick memorial scholarship from the Friends of Alberta Junior Hockey Society. Warwick was a former AJHL player killed in an automobile accident.

St. Albert forward Mike Klassen received the \$650 Al McDonald memorial scholarship from the Friends of Alberta Junior Hockey Society. Former Sherwood Park general manager McDonald died in 1996.

Bonnyville forward Jason Grinevitch, Calgary Canucks' defenceman Scott McClure, Camrose Kodiaks' forward David Legge, Fort Saskatchewan forward Darren Gauf, Lloydminster Blazers' forward Scott Pratt and former Olds forward Tyler Graham were the recipients of \$500 Friends of Alberta Junior Hockey Society Scholarships.

## Atom A's tie in zone play

The Didsbury Atom A's were on fire when they travelled to Beiseker to play in their first zone provincial game Jan. 31. In one of their best games this season, all the boys played with enthusiasm, grit and intensity against an evenly matched Beiseker team.

The first and second periods were fast paced with some close shots by Will Harvie and rushes by Christopher Gole. Cordell Christensen had a busy game, making many breathtaking gloved saves. Despite ample opportunity by both teams, the game remained scoreless until five minutes left in the second period when Beiseker finally got one past Christensen. Two minutes later Jeff Clazie tied up the game making the score 1-1 going into the third.

The third period was very tense and thrilling. Clazie had his second unassisted goal of the game midway through the third, giving us the lead 2-1. The lead was short-lived with Beiseker scoring twice more. Didsbury had to play short-handed the rest of the game because of a five minute major penalty. With another player in the penalty box shortly afterwards, Didsbury was put on the defensive, playing three player to Beiseker's five. Thus Beiseker scored again making the score 4-2. With only a

minute left in the game, down two goals and playing shorthanded, it looked like Didsbury would have to settle with a loss. But to the astonishment of the opposition and the delight of the Didsbury fans, Cody Edwards scored unassisted, followed nine seconds later by Aaron Herold. Herold's somersault summed up the feelings of the fans who were all at their feet. Final score was 4-4. Great effort boys and good work by defensemen Jackson Meston, Bob Morgan, Gole, Harvie and Charles Weber.

A league game on Jan. 27 had Didsbury meet Carstairs. This game was another close battle. Despite Didsbury playing well and dominating lots of the game, penalties hurt them in the first period with two goals for Carstairs on the

power play.

In the second period Herold started off the scoring for Didsbury with a goal assisted by Harvie and C. Edwards. Shortly afterwards a hard shot by Robbie Leiper tied up the game with a rush and pass by C. Edwards. Carstairs scored again making it 3-2 midway through the second. Then it was all Didsbury with three more goals. Two scored by C. Edwards with assists from Herold and Les Marsten and one scored by Clazie assisted by Gole. Carstairs scored one more time making the score 5-4 for Didsbury at the end of the second.

Clazie from Herold opened up the lead early in the third, but Carstairs scored one more time to make the final 6-5 for Didsbury.

## Didsbury Wildcats roared in Sundre

The Didsbury Tykes Wildcats played in Sundre on Feb. 1. The game was fast and tough. Dustin Moreau started the scoring. Next was Brayden Hopfe, assisted by Andrew Peterson. Randy Hunter had an assist by Braden Overwater. Cole

Sundberg was helped out by Eric Timmons. Peter Gwozdecki, Josh Campbell and Chelsea Overwater all put forth a good effort. Dallas Davis was busy in net as the score was 18-13. The Wildcats play Torrington on Feb. 6.



# OVERTIME

Bon voyage, Zarley Zalapski.  
Adios Jonas Hoglund.  
Hello Valeri Bure!

Calgary Flames Executive Vice-President and General Manager Al Coates announced Sunday the team has acquired right winger Valeri Bure and future considerations from the Montreal Canadiens in exchange for disgruntled defenceman Zarley Zalapski and left winger Jonas Hoglund.



Robert  
MAGEE

Bure, Montreal's second round pick (33rd overall) in the 1992 Entry Draft, has recorded seven goals and 22 assists for 29 points in 49 games this season. The 23 year old native of Moscow, Russia is currently in his fourth season with the Habs, having collected 46 goals and 64 assists during that period. He had a career high 22 goals and 42 points in 1995-96. The 5'11", 187lb Bure is a member of the Russian Olympic Team competing in Nagano, Japan later this month.

The younger brother of the Vancouver Canucks' Pavel Bure possesses great speed and puck control, and is frequently used on the point during the power play. He's on his final year of a \$700,000 US contract, and will be a restricted free agent at the end of the season.

Bure, who hasn't scored in 25 games, told reporters that he was pretty happy because he will be getting a fresh start with a young team. He said that he was sad to leave his friends behind, but figures it's for the better. Older brother Pavel was really excited for Valeri telling him now they will be closer to each other, and see each other more.

Montreal Head Coach Alain

Vigneault had said he was somewhat reluctant to part with Bure, saying Bure was a good player who has a place in this league.

Zalapski, the eye of this trade, was very relieved it was over with. He commented that the last 2 1/2 months was a frustrating time for him, and that he was sorry that his trade request was made public.

Coates would not reveal the considerations received, but did say that the Flames were not helping out on Zalapski's \$1.6 million US contract. Zalapski will be an unrestricted free agent as of July 1, 1998.

According to Coates, the deal was strictly Hoglund for Bure, with Zalapski for the future considerations. He also added that not only does the deal help them now, but should help them in their rebuilding plans.

Zalapski, a first round choice, fourth overall in the 1986 entry draft will probably adapt better to Montreal's speedy offence, as he is more of an offensive threat than a defensive specialist. He will more than likely be paired with Vladimir Malakhov (also

an offensive threat), which will also give les Canadiens a boost on the power play.

The 25 year old Hoglund has struggled a little this year scoring only six goals, and nine assists for 15 points in 50 games. Last season he had 35 points (19G, 16A).

In Saturday night's 2-2 draw with the Devils, Hoglund played a strong game scoring the opening goal of the game. The phrase, "let's get ready to rumble", was certainly the theme of the game. Rocky Thompson vs. Krystof Oliwa, and Chris Dingman vs. Scott Daniels. At 6:03 of the first period round I begins of the Thompson vs. Oliwa match. Thompson comes away bleeding but we'll call it a draw. Approximately 20 seconds later round I of the Dingman vs. Daniels match happens. Dingman got the upperhand in that fight. With 5:00 left in the 1st, Daniels clocks Thompson cleanly setting the stages for round II.

Then came round II of Thompson vs. Oliwa, the main event. Thompson pulverizes Oliwa throwing his arms up in the air while dancing around. That sent the crowd into a frenzy, winning their support just like that. But just seconds after,



Sergei Federov, the newest member of the Russian Olympic team, signs autographs outside the Canadian Airlines Saddledome.  
Photo by Robert Magee

## Colts trample Generals

By Brian Longeway

The Cochrane Generals showed up in Carstairs short of players so the teams must have played a gentleman's game of hockey, or the referee didn't feel like calling penalties. The Colts had only five minor penalties and Cochrane has three infractions. There was no scoring in the first period while the colts were down the Generals.

The Colts scored early and regular in the second period. Richard Westlund opened the scoring 27 seconds into the period, assisted by Ken Terpstra and Dave Waiting. Trent VanDam scored a power play

goal three minutes later, assisted by Mark Neven and Steve Lyle. Barclay Andrews scored, assisted by Brad Longeway and Mike Hira. Terpstra scored the first of his two quick goals, assisted by Jaymes Fenton. Just 27 seconds later Terpstra scored again, assisted by Neven and Jason Haffner. Westlund scored his second of the period assisted by Waiting and Neven. Greg McMullen scored the next goal, assist to Andrews. VanDam finished the scoring in the period, assisted by Longeway and Lyle.

Mike Brander opened the scoring in the third period, assisted by VanDam and

McMullen. Lyle scored an unassisted goal. Seven seconds later Brander scored, assisted by Lyle and Waiting. Hira scored, assists to McMullen and Andrews. The next goal was scored by Brett Kidd, assisted by Chris Seib. With just under three minutes remaining in the game a Colt player was assessed a hooking penalty. Just eleven seconds later Corbin Munro scored a power play goal for Cochrane, assisted by Tom Copeland and Greg McFarlane, spoiling a shutout for the Colts goaltender. Haffner scored the final goal of the game, assisted by Terpstra and Westlund.

## The Icers all girls hockey

This fall a first happened in Didsbury. A dynamite, all-female Pee Wee hockey team was formed and put into league play. You gotta love this team. They relish every opportunity to sharpen their hockey skills, by going to practice or shaking the walls of an arena playing a game. The team has succeeded in improving by skates

and pucks. This year promises to be a memorable one for the team and their devoted fans.

The secret of any successful team is to stress team play. This is promoted by a great team staff. The coach for this years team is Sheila Milne, the assistant coach is Kim Hnidy, the trainer is Aimee Hunter and the team manager is Brenda Choquette.

A list of the hustle and true grit team is as follows: Amber Campbell, Kim Aarts, Stephanie Leiper, Kelsea Keating, Abbie Bogner, Courtney Moorehouse, Terrill Edwards, Lindsay Viney, Julie Gendall, Dayna Moreau, Bobbi-Lynn Hopfe, Jamie Arnold, Meaghan Setter, Jacqueline Chernow and Jessica Dietrich.

round II of Dingman vs. Daniels started but was then broken up by the linesman. Daniels must have wanted revenge as he challenged the "Dinger" to yet a third fight. Daniels came away the winner in that one. There was a game being played too. And in the third period was it ever good. With Rick Tabaracci taking himself out of the game in the second intermission, Roloson was in between the pipes for what would be a barn-burner. With the score tied at 1-1, the Flames put on massive pressure late in the period with Theoren Fleury, Hoglund, and Andrew Cassels all having good scoring chances that was turned aside by Mike Dunham. But as always the opposition scored giving them a 2-1 lead with 2:02 left in the game. The hockey gods must have been smiling down on Hnat

Domenichelli. After having a disallowed goal in the first, he picked Scott Niedermayer's pocket and rifled his first goal of the season past the New Jersey back-up giving the Flames a well deserved 2-2 tie.

This upcoming week brings visits from the Los Angeles Kings, San Jose Sharks and The Edmonton Oilers on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday respectively.

### TRIVIA QUESTION

- Detroit Red Wings hold out Sergei Federov was recently named to the Russian Olympic team. Can you tell me who he is replacing, and who he is dating currently? That's if you can spell her name.

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

- Denis Potvin holds the New York Islander's team record of most points in a season with 85.

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# Junior Hockey stats

Dana Lattery of the Olds Grizzlys led Alberta Junior Hockey League scorers during the week ending Jan. 25, with three goals and seven points in two games.

Lattery, 18, advanced into a tie for 14th place in the league scoring race with 25 goals and 51 points in 41 games.

AJHL and Canadian Junior A Hockey League scoring leader Mike Comrie of the St. Albert Saints had two goals and six points in two games.

Comrie, 17, is tied for the league lead with linemate David Hukalo with 40 goals in 42 games. Comrie also has a league-leading 61 assists and became the first junior A player in Canada to surpass 100 points this season, with 101.

Dannie Morgan of Olds stopped 62 of 64 shots in 109 minutes and recorded his first shutout last week. Morgan, 18, leads the league with a .905 saves percentage in 1,299 minutes.



## AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Top left-hand photo (L. to R.): A Event Winners, Marlene Fizer, Jo-Anne Tennant, Rhonda Stainbrook and Sharon Foshaug from Didsbury.

Bottom photo (L. to R.): B Event Winners, Deborah Bassett, Audrey Guagliano, Sherri Hamblin and Shirley Roemmele from Olds.

Top right-hand photo (L. to R.): C Event Winners, Dixie Nickerson, Carolyn Tainsh, Kim Hnidy, and Sheila Milne from Didsbury.

Photos by Nicole Smith

## Didsbury GOLF CLUB

The Didsbury Golf Club is now accepting resumes for full and part-time positions at the club. Positions include kitchen, Pro-shop and grounds workers. Please mail your resumes to P.O. Box 984, Didsbury, Alberta, T0M 0W0 or drop off at Mountain View Sports, 1814 20<sup>th</sup> Street Didsbury, before February 15, 1998. For more information phone Alan at 335-3635 or 335-4688.

## Quarter finals

The first six finishers in the Alberta Junior Hockey League's overall standings will qualify for best-of-seven quarter-finals when the regular schedule ends March 1.

The 7th through 10th place finishers will play best-of-three series to determine the seventh and eighth quarter-finalists. The seventh-place finisher will play the ninth-place finisher March 2-6.

The first-place finisher will play the lowest-placed winning team from the best-of-three series in one quarter-final. The second-place finisher will play the highest-placed winning team from the best-of-three series in another quarter-final.

The third-and-sixth-place finishers will play in a third quarter-final. The fourth-and-fifth-place finishers will play in the remaining quarter-final.

The quarter-finals are scheduled March 7-20. The best-of-seven semi-finals will be March 21-April 2, and the best-of-seven final will be April 3-15.

The AJHL champion will play the British Columbia Junior A champion in the best-of-seven Doyle Cup beginning April 18 in the home arena of the Alberta champion. The Doyle Cup winner will represent the Pacific region in the Royal Bank Cup national junior A championship May 2-10 in Nanaimo, BC.

## Busy season for Theatre Didsbury

By Marge St. Clair

The "Odd Couple" - the female version directed by Lori Kimmere and Derek Lewis, received an excellent rating when presented at the Complex on Jan. 24. Now the show is on the road in Airdrie this weekend Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, and then as follows:

Feb. 14-Beiseker Community Hall for the Beiseker Lions Club.

Feb. 20-Madden Community Hall for Madden Lions Club

Charter Night.

Feb. 28-Olds Evergreen Centre Pub Night. Tickets at Medi-Plus. Doors open at 7 p.m., show begins at 8 p.m.

"Welcome Dianna and Jan," says Lewis.

The cast is made up of John Whittaker, Matt Bigelow, Terry Phillips, Shauna Traub, Marie Louise Saina, Tracie Brook, Lark Bigelow and Tara Jaffray.

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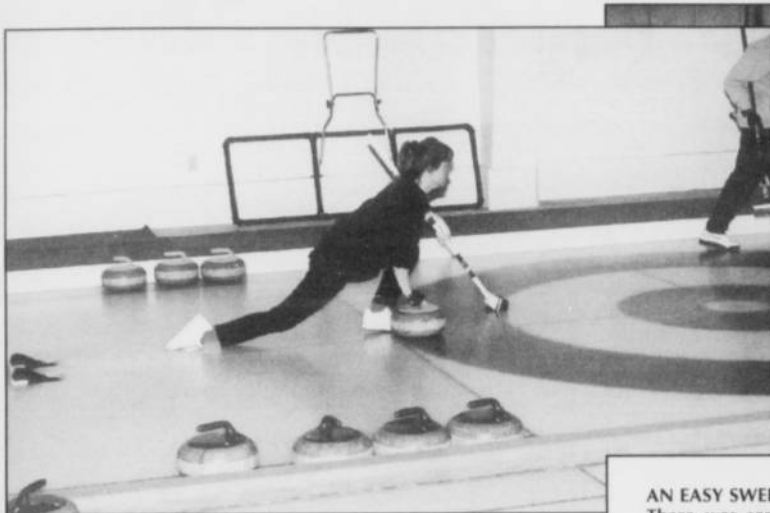
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There was some good competition at the Ladies Bonsel this weekend, hosted by the Didsbury Curling Club. Ladies from Didsbury won the A and C Events in the bonsel and walked home with some prize money.

Photos by Nicole Smith



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An epitaph was seen to say,  
Here lies a curler old and grey,  
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Dead curler here, they call me Bucky,  
Game in, game out, I was unlucky,  
To my last end, no better luck,  
Or I'd have missed that gravel truck.

A dead, bald curler, on his stone,  
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## Colts tie Generals

By Brian Longeway

Late Sunday evening after I had gone to sleep, I think it was reported to me that the teams return match on Sunday evening ended in a tie, for a more complete report check next week's paper. With win and a tie this weekend the Colts record is now 12 wins, 17 losses and two ties. They are two points behind third place Cochrane and just ahead of fifth place Drumheller. This should be a very exciting race for the final play off position. The Colts have seven games left in league play.

The Colts travel to play second place Okotoks on

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# Snowmobiling related injuries in Alberta

With the growing popularity of snowmobiling comes the potential for an increase in snowmobile-related injuries and deaths. Weather conditions have an obvious impact on snowmobile activity and the number of related injuries. Regardless of seasonal variations, there are several noteworthy constituencies in the pattern of snowmobiling deaths. From May 1989 to December 1996, a total of 25 people have been killed in snowmobile-related incidents in Alberta or near its borders.

The majority of deaths (24) were males. 21 deaths occurred in the Northern region of the province; 4 occurred in the Southern region. 18 deaths (72%) involved individu-

als 30 years of age or younger. The most common cause of death was due to collision with a stationary object such as a fence, tree or embankment (11 cases).

Alberta snowmobiling deaths, 1989-96: 1989-90, 3 deaths; 1990-91, 4 deaths; 1991-92, 1 death; 1992-93, 0 deaths; 1993-94, 4 deaths; 1994-95, 5 deaths; 1995-96, 3 deaths; May-Dec. 96, 5 deaths.

Snowmobile-related hospitalizations by Regional Health Authority, 1993-94: Chinook RHA, 3; Palliser Health Authority, 1; Headwaters Health Authority, 2; Calgary RHA, 5; Health Authority 5, 4; David Thompson RHA, 10; East Central RHA, 15; Westview RHA, 2; Crossroads RHA, 4; Capi-

tal Health Authority, 12; Aspen RHA, 11; Lakeland RHA, 12; Mistahia RHA, 11; Peace Health Region, 9; Keewatin Lakes RHA, 15, 9; Northern Lights RHA, 7; and Northwestern RHA, 2.

During the 1993-94 season (May 1, 1993-April 30, 1994) there were 119 hospitalizations of Albertans in Alberta caused by injuries related to snowmobiling. The majority of those hospitalized were males aged 15-34 (52%). 32% were those aged 25 to 34. Females accounted for 25% of hospitalizations. Children under 15 years of age were involved in 16 incidents (13%).

In the 1996-97 snowmobile season (May 1, 1996 to April 30, 1997) hospital emergency departments in the Capital Regional Health Authority treated and released 107 patients for injuries received while driving, riding, or being towed behind a snowmobile. 75% of those injured were males. 71% of injured males were between 18 and 44 years of age. 23% of injured drivers were females, most between 18 and 44 years of age. 86% (92) of those injured were drivers. The other 14% were passengers (10) or were being towed behind the snowmobile on a toboggan, tube or sleigh (5).

Research into the causes of snowmobiling-related injuries and deaths shows that alcohol, speed, driving at night, unsafe operation and operator inattention are common contributing factors in snowmobiling injuries. Alcohol intoxication is known to be a major factor in fatal snowmobile inju-

ries (Rowe, 1992). Alcohol was detected in 10 out of 17 cases were blood-alcohol level was tested by the Medical Examiner's Office between 1989 and 1996. Of these, 7 cases were at or above the legal limit of .08 grams/100 ml. Addressing these issues could reduce the

number of injuries and deaths.

The Injury Prevention Centre is a provincial resource for Injury Prevention in Alberta. The IPC supports community action in injury prevention by providing data on the frequency and nature of injury incidents.

## Beat midwinter blues

The midwinter blues can hit anyone at this time of year. But you may be especially vulnerable if you're watching your weight.

"Sensible weight loss takes energy and initiative," says Marlene Pixley, a representative of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly).

"Like any other lifestyle change, it puts demands on you. Yet at this time of year, some people hit a slump that make it harder to summon the energy they need."

You don't have to let winter doldrums derail your plan for sensible weight loss or maintenance. Pixley offers these tips:

**Keep moving.** With daylight hours so scarce, our natural tendency is to burrow down and hibernate. Yet our bodies need just the opposite—movement, exercise, vitality and oxygen. Now more than ever, it's important to schedule daily activity, like a lunchtime walk or an afternoon exercise class.

**Short circuit "boredom nibbling."** If you're stuck inside with little to do, you may find yourself

snacking when you're not really hungry. Make sure you have plenty of diversions on hand: a pile of great books from the library or a new game to play with your kids.

**Get your daily dose of light.** Light can be a natural pick-upper. So when skies remain dark for days on end, seek out other bright spots. Indoor pools, malls and gyms usually are brightly lit.

And as a bonus, they're great spots for mood-lifting activities: walking, water-aerobics or a pick-up game of basketball.

Finally, remember that "winter doesn't last forever—although right now it seems like it does," Pixley said.

"Keep your perspective. Stick to sensible eating and exercise habits. Come spring, when you shed those winter clothes and slip into skimpier outfits, you'll be glad you did."

If you're serious about losing weight, it also helps to have support from others in the same boat.



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## 02 BIRTHS

SHAYNE AND NANCY McTavish are pleased to announce the arrival of Kaitlin Anne on Jan. 22/98, weighing 6lbs, 13.5oz. A little sister for Travis and Tyler. 41-It

## 03 BIRTHDAY

10TH MONTH OF AGING: Carol we're trying to make it easier as you break over the hill. We want you to be our Valentine, please say that you will. The Bi-Centennials 41-It

## 07 CARD OF THANKS

IT NEVER CEASES to amaze me the kindness and caring that surround us. I suppose that is why we should be thankful for the "down times," they help remind us of how fortunate we really are. Thank you everyone for the prayers, phone calls, cards, visits and gifts during my recent illness. I am a very lucky lady. Rita G Krebs. 41-It

## 09 MEMORIAM

SHEILS, BRUCE Nov. 28, 1906-1989. Treasured thoughts of husband, dad and grandpa. We hold you close within our hearts and there you will remain. To walk with us through our lives until we meet again. Your loving family. 41-It

## 06 OBITUARIES

DELLA CAROLINE SMITH passed away peacefully at the Didsbury and District Health Services Unit 3 on Jan. 23/98 at the age of 87. She was born Dec. 28, 1910 on a farm three miles southeast of Didsbury. Her parents were Albion and Caroline Buckler. When Della was 11 months old her mother passed away, leaving her as the baby in a family of six children. Della's dad remarried and a daughter was born to this marriage. Della received her schooling at Grand Centre, southeast of Didsbury. In the late twenties, Mr. Buckler hired Bill Pitt and Albert (Bert) Smith to build a barn which has stood on the farm until just recently. It was through this that Della met Bert who became her husband on Dec. 23, 1931. Together they built the home farm on the Westcott Road south of Rugby Hall. Two sons, Edgar and Bruce, were raised here and Bruce continues to farm this land. Della was an active member of the Rugby Women's Institute. She worked hard on the farm raising turkeys, chickens and milking cows. She also was a caregiver to her mother-in-law, nursing her until she passed away. She also became caregiver for Bert, who was blind for the last 14 years of his life. In 1984 Bert and Della bought a house in Didsbury. Bert passed away in 1992 and about a year later Della moved into the Didsbury Kinsmen Manor. While there, she became involved in the Didsbury Hospital Day Support Group, where she met many loving, caring staff and volunteers. With this group she had many outings, short holidays and had opportunities to expand her talents with crafts and art. As her need for additional care increased, she was moved into Unit 3 at the Didsbury Hospital. Della will be remembered for her hospitality, making all who came to her home feel like part of the family. She was a kind lady who made friends easily and had a sense of humour second to none. She was predeceased by her parents Albion and Caroline Buckler, step-mother Ada Buckler, brothers Jack, Dave and Wallace Buckler, sisters Viola Pendergast, Hazel Rowntree and Kathleen Anderson, husband Bert Smith and daughter-in-law Shirley Smith. She leaves to mourn her son Edgar and his wife Vicky and her daughters Kirsten and Kyla of Rocky Mountain House and son Bruce and his wife Carol and sons Royden Anderson (Roxanne), Rayburn Anderson (Diane) and Rodmond Anderson and one great-granddaughter Samantha Anderson. Also two sister-in-laws Jane and Hazel Buckler, and many nephews and nieces. Funeral services were conducted at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church on Wed., Jan. 28 with Rev. Pam Orman officiating. Mountain View Funeral Chapels entrusted with arrangements. Interment at the Didsbury Cemetery. 41-It

SPOONER, ANGUS MELCOM of Carstairs passed away peacefully on Friday, Jan. 23, 1998 at the age of 57 years. He is survived by his loving wife Nell, one son Darcy, one daughter Roxanne (Bob) Brown, two grandsons Justin and Jordan, three sisters Isabell Borg, Emmaline Martin, Ethel Yousph, two brothers Hughie and George, as well as numerous relatives and friends. Predeceased by his parents John Henry and Hellen Marie, three brothers Alex (Pat), William (Jack) and Claude, two sisters Alfreda and Ida Gordon. A memorial service was held at the Carstairs United Church on Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Bruce McIntyre officiating. Interment Carstairs Cemetery. If friends wish a donation in Angus' memory may be made to the STARS, Box 570, 1441 Aviation Park NE, Calgary AB, T2E 8M7. Arrangements and cremation entrusted to Personal Alternative Funeral Services. 41-It

## 09 MEMORIAM

IN LOVING MEMORY of our precious son Kyle Sutherland, who went to heaven Feb. 2, 1995. May the wind of heaven blow gently, on a quiet and peaceful spot, where the one we love is, and will never be forgot. Though his smile we cannot see and his hands we cannot touch, we have so many memories of the one we love so much. His memory is a keepsake, of which we'll never part, God has him in his keeping, we have him in our hearts. Forever in our hearts, Mom and Dad. 41-It

IN LOVING MEMORY of Kyle Sutherland, cherished grandson, nephew and cousin. Happy little memories go flittering through our minds, and in all our thoughts and memories we always seem to find the picture of your face aglow, the memory of your touch and all the other little things that mean so much to us. You cannot go beyond our touch, or leave our love behind for we keep you in our hearts and forever in our minds. Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by grandparents Wilf and Joyce Miller, Kathy and Doug Robertson and family and Doug and Carol Miller and family. 41-It

IN LOVING MEMORY of Kyle Sutherland, Cherished Grandson, nephew and cousin. Beautiful memories woven in gold, this is the picture we tenderly hold, deep in our hearts his memory is kept, to have and to cherish and never forget. Love always Grampa and Gramma Sutherland and families. 41-It

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## 10 COMING EVENTS

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# Coalition members walk out of Goodale meeting

Members of the Coalition Against C-4 attended a meeting with Wheat Board Minister Ralph Goodale on Jan. 21 in Regina. They urged the minister to remove a clause from the proposed new Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) Act (Bill C-4) that would allow crops to be added to the Board monopoly.

The coalition includes growers and processors of crops such as canola, oats and flax that would be affected by the so-called inclusion clause.

"We have asked the Minister to remove the unnecessary cloud of uncertainty hanging over non-Board crops and the huge processing sector they support," said coalition spokesperson Bill Farley, representing the Flax Growers of Western Canada.

Not all commodity and business organizations in the coalition were originally invited to the meeting called by Goodale to discuss the rules for the election of farmers to the CWB Board of Directors.

"Since this bill could have a major impact on our farming operations, we felt it was crucial to be represented," said Farley.

"At our insistence, the Minister did allow us to attend. But when he refused to discuss problems with the legislation prior to the discussion on elections, we walked."

Coalition members believe

the meeting was inappropriate and premature, given that Bill C-4 has yet to pass. Coalition members were never consulted on the legislation or the implications of the inclusion clause, says Kevin Archibald of the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association.

"Obviously the Minister considers parliament and the views of a large percentage of the farmers to be inconsequential," Archibald said.

"It's another example of the Minister running roughshod over our interests in pursuit of his own."

Marilyn Braun of the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses says the fate of the inclusion clause, which is opposed by virtually every commodity organization representing non-Board crops, will profoundly affect the nature of CWB director elections.

"If the clause stays, it will enshrine a perpetual political battle between pro-monopoly and anti-monopoly marketing forces for positions on the board of the CWB," Braun said.

"We don't think that's a recipe for operating the Wheat Board in a business-like manner."

And when Goodale suggested adjourning discussion on it, Coalition members left the meeting.

The member groups of the

coalition are: the Canadian Canola Growers Association, Saskatchewan Canola Growers Association, Manitoba Canola Growers Association, Alberta Canola Producers Commission, Ontario Canola Growers Association, Canadian Oilseed Processors Association, Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses, Winnipeg Commodity Exchange, Western Barley Growers Association, Flax Growers of Western Canada, Oats Producers Association of Alberta, Alberta Winter Wheat Producers Commission and the Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association.

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Ham and turkey supper. Feb. 12 4:30-7 p.m. Carstairs Church of God

#### BRIDAL SHOWER

Bridal shower for Jolene Gole and Brett Burgerson. Sunday, Feb. 15 at the Carstairs Golf Club. 2-4 p.m.

### DIDSBURY

#### GOOD MUSIC

A dance will be held Fri. Feb. 6 at the 5-0 Centre. Good music starts at 8 p.m. Dinner to follow. \$4.00

### DIDSBURY

#### VALENTINE'S POTLUCK

5-0 Club Valentine's Potluck Dinner. Meat dish, salad, dessert. Wed. Feb. 11 at 12:30. All seniors welcome.

#### 5-0 MEETING

Attention 5-0 Club members-the Annual Meeting and election of officers will be held Mon. Feb. 16 at 1:30 p.m. at 5-0 Club. Your presence is requested. This is your club so please attend.

#### THEATRE 2000

Theatre 2000 Performing Arts Society presents auditions for our production of Snow White. Feb. 9 and 11 at Melvin Hall 7:30-9 p.m. Phone 335-8689, 335-8307 or 556-3098

### DIDSBURY

#### MINOR SOCCER

Didsbury Minor Soccer General Meeting 7 p.m. Mon. Feb. 23 at Didsbury Curling Rink. Registration Feb. 27 or March 2 at the Complex. For info call Duke 335-4948 or Susan 335-8104.

### ZELLA

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### DIDSBURY

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#### DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Bev at 335-9803 or Vivian at 335-3730.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets every third Thursday of every month at the Town Office at 7 p.m. For info. call Terrina Perley at 335-4552.

#### TOY LIBRARY

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### DIDSBURY

#### KINGHIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

#### O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 8:00 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Marge Stadler at 335-4281.

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#### INFORMATION

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Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

#### AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday at 8:30 p.m. in EV Church, next to Post Office, Didsbury. More info. 337-2622

### DIDSBURY

#### BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8846 or 335-4736.

#### LONE PINE

#### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

#### OLDS

#### MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Deer Meadows School, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Sandy Wilson at 556-7501.

#### OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS (OA)

Meet every Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m. Olds Hospital Welcome to (OA), Welcome Home! For further information contact: 556-7161 or 556-7119 evenings.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month, 7 p.m. at the Deer Meadow School, Olds. Contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

#### SUNDRE

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
Wednesdays, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

#### ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

#### AL-ANON

Al-Anon, Sundre United Church basement. Wednesday 8 p.m. More info 638-3277.

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